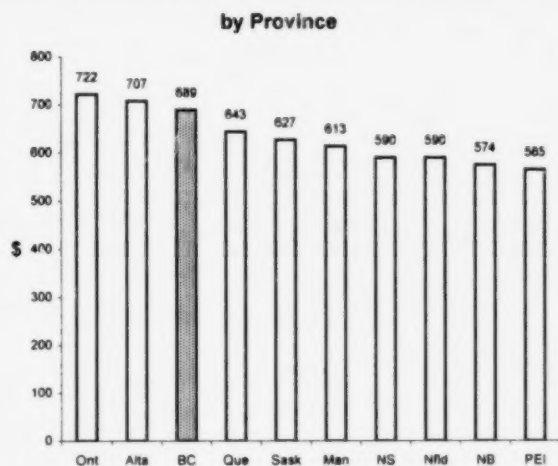
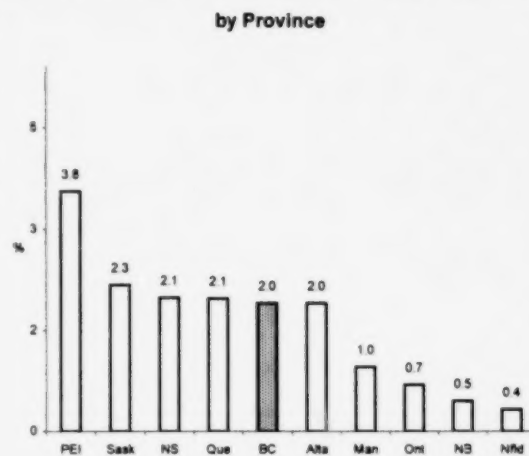


Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ January 2005

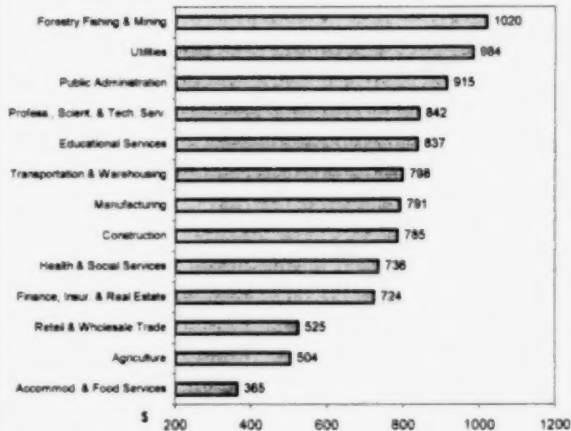
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - January 2005



Employment Growth* - January 2005

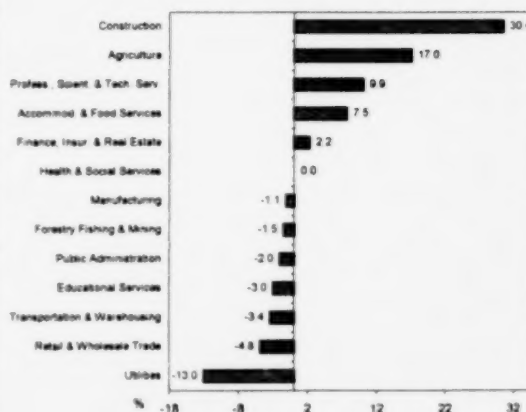


by Industry



* Latest 12 month average

by Industry



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate			Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	U.S.A.			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
									% Change		(%)	
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8							8.5	9.6	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9							8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3							8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6							8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2							8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4							7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8							7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6							8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3							8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7							7.2	7.2	5.5
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9							7.4	7.3	5.7
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7							7.8	7.3	5.6
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7							7.7	7.3	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3							7.5	7.2	5.5
May	2.5	2.5	3.1							7.5	7.1	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3							7.3	7.2	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0							7.0	7.1	5.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7							7.4	7.1	5.4
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5							6.7	7.0	5.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2							6.8	7.1	5.5
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5							6.5	7.2	5.4
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3							6.2	7.0	5.4
2005 Jan										6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb												
Mar												
Apr												
May												
Jun												
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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

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	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1998	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1999	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
2000	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2001	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2002	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2003	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2004	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	586.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
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Average:	673.97		678.67		693.98		631.17		601.33		720.19		626.87		573.00		581.27		558.42		584.09	
Jan-Jan04	694.47		708.09		734.18		627.40		604.85		736.24		649.80		585.91		589.73		584.46		597.02	
Jan-Jan05			4.3		5.8		-0.6		0.6		2.2		3.7		2.3		1.5		4.7		2.2	
% Change	3.0																					

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1998	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1999	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
2000	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2001	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2003	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004 Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
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Average:	18.50		19.05		18.38		17.15		16.71		19.49		17.83		15.36		15.90		15.39		15.76	
Jan-Jan04	19.02		19.60		19.45		17.04		16.59		19.98		18.40		15.57		16.02		15.92		16.08	
Jan-Jan05	2.8		2.9		5.8		-0.6		-0.7		2.5		3.2		1.4		0.8		3.4		2.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

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	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,092.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9	
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	64.6	1.4	207.4	1.6
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	465.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.2	199.2	1.5
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,178.7	1.0	3,589.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	586.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	582.0	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.9	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,665.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
Feb																						
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Average:	15,468.9		2,012.2		1,708.7		463.4		562.0		6,177.9		3,536.3		330.8		418.2		60.3		199.1	
Jan-Jan04	15,695.5		2,053.3		1,743.6		474.2		567.8		6,223.7		3,611.1		332.4		427.1		62.6		199.8	
% Change	1.5		2.0		2.0		2.3		1.0		0.7		2.1		0.5		2.1		3.8		0.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
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Average:																						
Jan-Jan04	33.8		32.4		35.8		33.9		33.7		34.4		32.8		33.9		32.3		32.1		33.0	
Jan-Jan05	33.7		32.9		35.3		32.8		33.7		34.2		32.8		34.8		33.4		32.8		33.6	
% Change	-0.3		1.5		-1.4		-3.2		0.0		-0.6		0.0		2.7		3.4		2.2		1.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries
	\$	% Chg	\$	\$	% Chg	\$	('000)	% Chg	('000)	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs
1995												
1996												
1997	732.23		576.18	18.50		16.37	377.6	-1.5	1,194.9	4.5		32.1
1998	754.02		580.58	18.99		16.54	372.0	12.6	1,248.3	15.0		31.5
1999	762.54		591.72	19.19		16.78	409.9	-2.2	1,443.7	0.6		31.6
2000	764.37		606.09	19.25		17.20	395.6	-3.5	1,497.5	3.7		32.3
2001	781.31	2.2	615.74	19.61	1.9	17.58	408.4	3.2	1,521.7	1.6		
2002	787.72	0.8	638.71	19.91	1.5	18.27	383.9	-6.0	1,538.2	1.1	-1.6	31.2
2003	810.22	2.9	652.14	20.48	2.9	18.66	392.3	2.2	1,567.9	1.9	-1.4	31.0
2004	793.67	-2.0	659.20	19.94	-2.6	18.74	411.7	4.9	1,602.5	2.2	-0.6	30.8
							431.0	4.7	1,628.7	1.6	2.0	31.2
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	648.43	20.53	-1.9	18.70	401.1	5.2	1,611.0	3.4	-3.8	31.7
Feb	796.61	-1.4	658.44	20.12	-1.5	18.92	399.3	2.4	1,597.7	1.6	-0.3	32.3
Mar	774.34	-4.9	654.21	19.59	-4.5	18.59	400.8	-2.0	1,609.9	1.8	-4.5	30.4
Apr	779.06	-4.9	650.38	19.71	-4.1	18.56	409.3	3.7	1,599.1	0.6	11.4	30.1
May	769.45	-5.4	649.46	19.42	-5.3	18.53	422.5	1.9	1,626.9	2.4	-0.3	32.4
Jun	777.46	-5.6	652.09	19.22	-6.2	18.50	448.0	5.4	1,657.4	3.0	2.9	32.6
Jul	788.44	-1.7	651.81	19.57	-2.9	18.32	459.7	4.6	1,644.0	2.6	2.2	30.8
Aug	784.92	-3.5	662.15	19.48	-5.0	18.53	460.1	5.9	1,633.0	1.4	1.7	29.6
Sep	813.10	-0.4	667.77	20.30	-1.9	18.90	441.9	5.9	1,640.8	1.9	1.9	33.0
Oct	811.80	1.2	675.19	20.40	0.1	19.06	454.9	6.6	1,636.8	0.7	3.1	29.3
Nov	817.61	3.4	669.76	20.50	1.0	19.13	439.0	7.5	1,633.9	0.5	8.3	29.6
Dec	802.53	0.5	670.16	20.51	0.3	19.14	435.5	9.0	1,654.2	-0.1	5.1	32.8
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	681.67	20.63	0.5	19.34	439.5	9.6	1,613.8	0.2	0.3	32.2
Feb												
Mar												
Apr												
May												
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Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jan04	807.32		648.43	20.53		18.70	401.1		1,611.0			31.7
Jan-Jan05	813.57		681.67	20.63		19.34	439.5		1,613.8			32.2
% Change	0.8		5.1	0.5		3.4	9.6		0.2			1.6

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996			447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1997	754.02		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1998	762.54		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
1999	764.37											
2000	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2001	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2002	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2003	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	-16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb												
Mar												
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Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jan04	807.32		463.67		971.29		1061.78		799.61		796.11	
Jan-Jan05	813.57		608.05		1010.89		935.49		799.90		807.90	
% Change	0.8		31.1		4.1		-11.9		0.0		1.5	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1997	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1998	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
2000	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb												
Mar												
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Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jan04	20.53		14.42		23.92		27.89		20.20		20.32	
Jan-Jan05	20.63		15.25		23.99		25.03		20.18		21.07	
% Change	0.5		5.8		0.3		-10.3		-0.1		3.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13		22.37		18.23		10.12		21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60		22.07		18.52		10.42		20.93		17.08	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43		21.95		18.85		10.28		21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36		23.03		19.26		10.82		21.87		17.63	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	5.1	22.71	-1.4	20.20	4.9	10.94	1.1	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	5.2	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.1	11.10	1.5	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	-2.7	25.03	3.0	22.06	0.5	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																				
Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	-5.5	23.32	-3.6	22.45	4.3	11.64	1.7	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	-9.8	24.71	4.5	22.66	5.8	11.47	0.8	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	-5.7	24.17	0.8	22.27	5.0	11.50	-3.6	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	-7.9	23.95	-1.9	22.04	2.2	11.48	0.6	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	-1.5	24.52	0.9	22.19	3.8	11.54	3.6	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	-4.6	25.08	1.0	21.43	-1.3	11.72	6.8	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	-3.4	25.29	-0.6	21.46	-3.7	11.61	3.5	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	0.2	26.55	8.5	21.69	-4.1	11.62	5.0	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	-0.5	25.73	2.6	21.55	-5.2	11.74	6.7	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	3.0	25.83	6.2	22.06	-2.2	11.62	5.5	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	1.0	26.07	9.1	22.40	0.7	11.60	2.5	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	0.4	25.67	9.8	22.66	1.2	11.28	-2.2	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																				
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	2.1	25.16	7.9	22.35	-0.4	11.80	1.4	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
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Jan-Jan04	18.70		19.26		14.64		19.76		22.93		23.32		22.45		11.64		25.43		19.05	
Jan-Jan05	19.34		21.43		15.08		20.85		23.42		25.16		22.35		11.80		26.22		19.60	
% Change	3.4		11.3		3.0		5.5		2.1		7.9		-0.4		1.4		3.1		2.9	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied
1995	406.8		24.9		36.3		4.5		14.2		189.9		22.1	43.4	23.8	22.1	43.4	23.8
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	193.7	2.0	24.4	43.8	22.9	24.4	43.8	22.9
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.1	1.8	25.5	44.8	22.9	25.5	44.8	22.9
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.5	-0.3	25.8	43.6	22.5	25.8	43.6	22.5
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.0	22.3	21.7	42.0	22.3
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	203.4	5.6	23.7	46.5	17.7	23.7	46.5	17.7
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	195.1	-4.1	26.2	49.5	15.0	26.2	49.5	15.0
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.4	0.7	27.0	44.7	16.7	27.0	44.7	16.7
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	205.7	4.7	31.9	48.7	14.2	31.9	48.7	14.2
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	208.4	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	204.5	4.4	40.6	47.1	11.1	40.6	47.1	11.1
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	205.4	3.7	31.2	46.2	10.4	31.2	46.2	10.4
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	202.8	-0.8	28.3	53.2	8.8	28.3	53.2	8.8
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.6	-39.7	206.3	0.5	29.5	47.7	9.7	29.5	47.7	9.7
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	20.8	-25.2	3.8	56.3	11.4	-38.4	207.3	-1.8	29.1	44.3	14.5	29.1	44.3	14.5
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	209.5	-0.9	29.4	44.7	14.3	29.4	44.7	14.3
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	216.0	1.8	25.3	49.6	13.1	25.3	49.6	13.1
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	25.3	-13.4	4.0	-40.3	11.0	4.8	216.0	1.2	29.4	42.5	11.9	29.4	42.5	11.9
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	23.0	-23.6	2.4	-52.9	11.4	-15.6	210.1	2.3	27.6	41.4	9.3	27.6	41.4	9.3
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	22.3	-25.2	2.1	-68.7	12.9	-12.2	209.8	1.0	31.7	39.6	11.4	31.7	39.6	11.4
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	21.1	-22.4	1.5	-75.4	13.0	23.8	208.7	3.1	34.3	40.2	10.7	34.3	40.2	10.7
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	19.2	-18.3	0.0	-100.0	15.1	26.9	204.0	1.1	33.1	41.9	12.2	33.1	41.9	12.2
2006 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	1.1	0.0	-100.0	13.8	24.3	202.3	-1.1	36.2	39.2	12.5	36.2	39.2	12.5
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Jan-Jan04	401.1		30.6		19.0		4.7		11.1		204.5		40.6	47.1	11.1	40.6	47.1	11.1
Jan-Jan05	439.5		35.8		19.2		0.0		13.8		202.3		36.2	39.2	12.5	36.2	39.2	12.5
% Change	9.6		17.0		1.1		-100.0		24.3		-1.1		-5.9	-16.8	12.6	-5.9	-16.8	12.6

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service			Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod. Food & Bev.	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8	100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	162.4	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
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Jan-Jan04	1,611.0		117.7		336.9		128.2		933.7		146.8	215.6	156.8	94.6		2,012.2	
Jan-Jan05	1,613.8		113.7		320.6		131.0		955.8		142.4	215.6	168.6	92.7		2,053.3	
% Change	0.2		-3.4		-4.8		2.2		2.4		-3.0	0.0	7.5	-2.0		2.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
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Average:	35.3		30.3		40.2		34.2		35.9		34.0	
Jan-Jan04	35.4		32.1		38.5		39.5		37.5		32.7	
Jan-Jan05	0.3		5.9		-4.2		15.5		4.5		-3.8	
% Change												

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4	30.1	29.8	30.0	33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	29.7	29.3	29.5	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	29.3	29.4	29.4	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.3	27.8	28.7	30.3	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	27.8	29.5	29.8	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	29.6	30.6	29.6	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	28.7	28.9	29.8	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	29.0	29.1	28.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	28.1	28.0	29.0	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	26.8	29.1	29.3	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	32.6	30.2	28.0	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	32.1	30.3	28.2	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	14.6	28.6	28.3	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	27.6	27.7	27.8	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	30.4	31.2	28.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	30.3	29.9	30.0	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	15.3	27.9	30.3	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	16.0	26.8	29.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	32.6	29.7	30.6	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	27.2	27.2	29.1	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	25.4	28.1	30.7	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	32.0	31.2	30.2	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	31.8	32.4	30.1	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
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Average:	31.7		35.4		31.0		32.9		36.4	32.6	30.2	28.0	33.5		32.4	
Jan-Jan04	32.2		36.3		30.4		33.6		35.4	31.8	32.4	30.1	34.3		32.9	
Jan-Jan05	1.6		2.5		-1.9		2.1		-2.7	-2.5	7.3	7.5	2.4		1.5	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions and comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gems4.gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

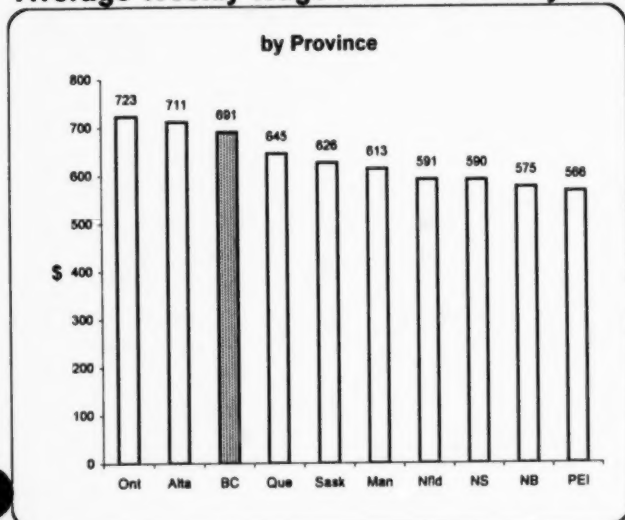
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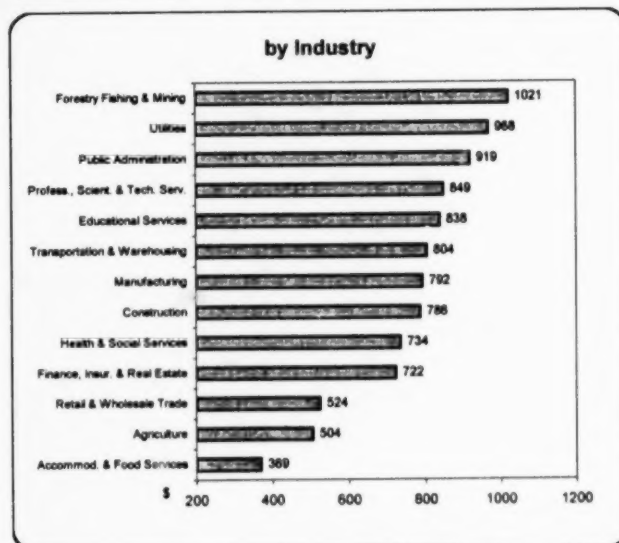
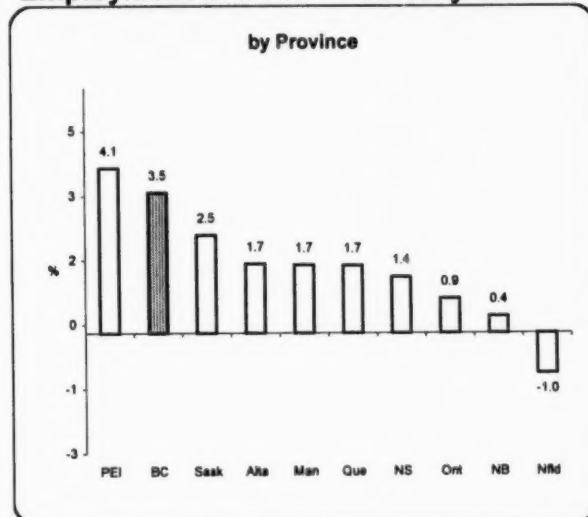


Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ February 2005

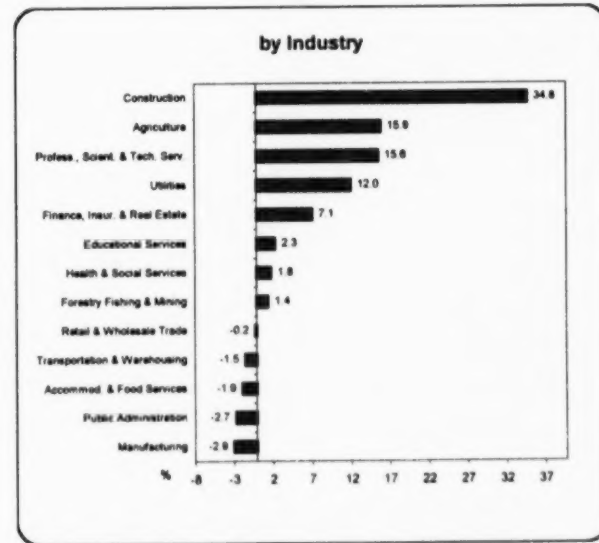
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - February 2005



Employment Growth* - February 2005



* Latest 12 month average



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC		U.S.A.	Current Dollars		Constant Dollars		Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.	Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.
	% Change	Canada		BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada		BC	Canada	
				% Change	% Change	% Change	% Change	% Change	% Change		%	%	
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8		2.3		-0.5	2.4	1.7	1.5	8.5	9.6	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9		3.3		0.4	1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3		4.5		2.1	2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6		3.9		2.3	0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2		3.2		1.0	2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4		3.9		0.5	1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.5	3.2	-0.2	0.6	-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.3	0.7	0.0	2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	0.2	-0.8	2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	-1.6	0.7	2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2004	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	-2.0	1.3	3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4	7.3	5.7
Jan	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	-0.9	2.0	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8	7.3	5.6
Feb	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	-1.4	2.4	1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.7
Mar	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	-2.2	1.3	1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5	7.2	5.5
Apr	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	-3.9	-0.1	2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5	7.1	5.6
May	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	-4.0	0.5	3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3	7.2	5.6
Jun	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	-3.0	0.0	3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0	7.1	5.5
Jul	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	-1.9	0.2	2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4	7.1	5.4
Aug	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	-0.8	0.5	2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7	7.0	5.4
Sep	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	0.5	0.1	1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8	7.1	5.5
Oct	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.2	0.4	1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5	7.2	5.4
Nov	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	0.5	0.4	1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2	7.0	5.4
Dec	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	2.0	1.1	1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
2005				2.8	2.6			3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1997	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1998	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
1999	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2000	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2001	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2002	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2003	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004																						
Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005																						
Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
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Average:																						
Jan-Feb04	674.81		682.16		690.48		637.58		604.88		722.60		625.48		570.30		581.45		561.57		582.68	
Jan-Feb05	693.70		706.50		736.31		633.85		608.40		734.54		648.47		581.50		588.18		584.09		596.87	
% Change	2.8		3.6		6.6		-0.6		0.6		1.7		3.7		2.0		1.2		4.0		2.4	

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1998	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1999	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
2000	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2001	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2003	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004 Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
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Jan-Feb04	18.52		19.10		18.25		17.24		16.76		19.55		17.81		15.33		15.91		15.44		15.67	
Jan-Feb05	19.00		19.56		19.45		17.15		16.80		19.91		18.42		15.57		15.99		15.98		16.12	
% Change	2.6		2.4		6.5		-0.5		0.3		1.8		3.4		1.6		0.5		3.5		2.8	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,092.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9	
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,933.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	64.6	1.4	207.4	1.6
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	465.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.2	199.2	1.5
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,179.7	1.0	3,589.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	565.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	582.0	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.8	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,665.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	3.5	1,751.1	1.7	476.7	2.5	573.1	1.7	6,265.3	0.9	3,631.8	1.7	333.3	0.4	425.6	1.4	63.0	4.1	197.2	-1.0
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Jan-Feb04	15,505.1		2,004.6		1,715.0		464.4		562.8		6,194.8		3,553.9		331.4		419.0		60.4		199.2	
Jan-Feb05	15,740.0		2,060.3		1,747.4		475.5		570.5		6,244.5		3,621.5		332.9		426.4		62.8		198.5	
% Change	1.5		2.8		1.9		2.4		1.4		0.8		1.9		0.5		1.8		4.0		-0.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
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Average:	33.7		32.9		35.1		33.0		33.7		34.4		32.9		33.7		29.5		29.5		33.0	
Jan-Feb04	33.8		33.4		35.4		32.9		33.5		34.2		32.8		34.5		33.4		32.6		33.8	
Jan-Feb05	0.1		1.5		0.9		-0.5		-0.4		-0.6		-0.5		2.4		13.1		10.5		2.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		% Chg	Service Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries	% Chg	Service Industries
	\$	% Chg		\$	% Chg		('000)	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg	Hrs
1995							377.6			1,194.9		
1996							372.0	-1.5		1,248.3	4.5	
1997	732.23			16.37			419.0	12.6		1,435.0	15.0	32.1
1998	754.02			16.54			409.9	-2.2		1,443.7	0.6	31.5
1999	762.54			16.78			395.6	-3.5		1,497.5	3.7	31.6
2000	764.37			17.20			408.4	3.2		1,521.7	1.6	32.3
2001	781.31	2.2		17.58	1.9	2.2	383.9	-6.0		1,538.2	1.1	31.2
2002	787.72	0.8		18.27	1.5	3.9	392.3	2.2		1,567.9	1.9	31.0
2003	810.22	2.9		18.66	2.1	2.1	411.7	4.9		1,602.5	2.2	30.8
2004	793.67	-2.0		18.74	0.4	0.4	431.0	4.7		1,628.7	1.6	31.2
2004 Jan	807.32	-1.8		18.70	-0.4	-0.4	401.1	5.2		1,611.0	3.4	31.7
2004 Feb	796.61	-1.4		18.92	0.3	0.3	399.3	2.4		1,597.7	1.6	32.3
2004 Mar	774.34	-4.9		18.59	-0.6	-0.6	400.8	-2.0		1,609.9	1.8	30.4
2004 Apr	779.06	-4.9		18.56	-0.4	-0.4	409.3	3.7		1,599.1	0.6	30.1
2004 May	769.45	-5.4		18.53	-0.3	-0.3	422.5	1.9		1,626.9	2.4	32.4
2004 Jun	777.46	-5.6		18.50	0.0	0.0	448.0	5.4		1,657.4	3.0	32.6
2004 Jul	788.44	-1.7		18.32	-0.8	-0.8	459.7	4.6		1,644.0	2.6	30.8
2004 Aug	784.92	-3.5		18.53	-0.7	-0.7	460.1	5.9		1,633.0	1.4	29.6
2004 Sep	813.10	-0.4		18.90	0.1	0.1	441.9	5.9		1,640.8	1.9	33.0
2004 Oct	811.80	1.2		19.06	1.5	1.5	454.9	6.6		1,636.8	0.7	29.3
2004 Nov	817.61	3.4		19.13	2.2	2.2	439.0	7.5		1,633.9	0.5	29.6
2004 Dec	802.53	0.5		19.14	2.5	2.5	435.5	9.0		1,654.2	-0.1	32.8
2005 Jan	813.57	0.8		19.34	3.4	3.4	439.5	9.6		1,613.8	0.2	32.2
2005 Feb	801.63	0.6		19.33	2.2	2.2	441.2	10.5		1,626.1	1.8	32.8
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Jan-Feb04	801.97			18.81			400.2			1,604.4		32.0
Jan-Feb05	807.60			19.34			440.4			1,620.0		32.5
% Change	0.7			2.8			10.0			1.0		1.6

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1997	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1998	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1999	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
2000	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2001	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2002	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2003	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
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Average:												
Jan-Feb04	801.97		488.36		970.81		1093.63		793.30		793.54	
Jan-Feb05	807.60		563.47		994.73		932.73		797.24		806.50	
% Change	0.7		15.4		2.5		-14.7		0.5		1.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

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	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996																				
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62		733.83		592.41		316.51		786.83		610.31	
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00		722.20		604.45		329.49		766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34		735.46		619.15		318.59		791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07		765.86		634.02		338.34		813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	3.9	745.01	-2.7	661.82	4.4	344.04	1.7	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	5.2	776.12	4.2	688.99	4.1	334.45	-2.8	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	1.2	792.62	2.1	709.95	3.0	350.61	4.8	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	-2.2	826.06	4.2	733.97	3.4	362.55	3.4	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	-4.3	749.40	-1.5	735.56	6.4	360.72	36.4	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	-8.4	813.34	10.6	762.55	11.2	336.23	27.3	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	-1.5	791.68	3.8	749.85	9.7	354.70	33.5	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	-7.0	782.88	2.2	749.60	6.5	356.77	36.7	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	-3.5	800.25	-0.5	748.27	10.8	365.48	33.1	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	-4.9	830.02	-0.1	719.07	1.4	372.22	36.3	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	-3.4	892.73	3.1	708.22	-3.2	366.15	38.8	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	-1.6	935.34	10.6	714.84	-2.3	367.38	35.6	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	-0.6	858.90	6.3	695.21	-4.8	366.15	35.2	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	6.3	837.18	5.8	742.34	0.7	363.39	37.1	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	0.6	822.13	1.9	738.71	2.2	378.44	44.9	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	0.3	841.46	9.3	748.44	4.0	360.60	37.9	952.73	2.9	686.56	2.7
2005 Jan	661.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	1.7	843.61	12.6	749.70	1.9	387.10	7.3	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	9.9	824.78	1.4	746.66	-2.1	390.46	16.1	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb04	653.44		746.10		513.77		735.89		854.05		781.37		749.06		348.48		927.55		682.16	
Jan-Feb05	681.12		833.14		519.11		736.53		902.83		834.20		748.18		388.78		964.87		706.50	
% Change	4.2		11.7		1.0		0.1		5.7		6.8		-0.1		11.6		4.0		3.6	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99	-1.9	12.00	5.1	21.23	1.7	25.26	0.6	18.94	-3.0	18.60	-2.4
1997	19.19	-1.5	13.71	5.1	21.92	-1.8	24.15	12.8	19.12	-1.1	18.21	-2.8
1998	19.25	-4.5	11.39	3.8	22.70	-1.4	24.80	3.3	18.95	-5.0	18.92	-3.1
2000	19.61	-4.1	11.93	5.5	22.79	-0.9	24.81	-8.5	19.29	-2.9	19.89	-2.1
2001	19.91	-5.3	11.83	4.0	22.32	3.3	25.87	-14.1	19.89	-6.3	20.03	-3.6
2002	20.48	-6.2	12.75	-1.9	23.20	4.8	28.15	-15.6	20.48	-1.6	19.92	-2.2
2003	19.94	-2.9	12.61	-1.1	23.97	5.0	25.80	-8.3	20.02	1.1	19.79	0.4
2004		0.3		-9.2		6.3		-16.6		1.9		2.6
2004 Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005 Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
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Average:	20.33		13.76		23.40		29.07		20.10		20.16	
Jan-Feb04	20.42		14.16		23.63		24.82		20.20		20.69	
Jan-Feb05	0.5		2.9		1.0		-14.6		0.5		2.7	
% Change												

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2	43.7	24.2		126.1	
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	-20.2	111.3	-2.2
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	47.2	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	47.7	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	54.0	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	49.6	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	-6.6	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	0.0	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	-22.7	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	-19.8	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	-18.0	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	-10.6	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	3.2	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	-5.7	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	-7.3	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	24.8	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
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Average:																		
Jan-Feb04	400.2		31.0		20.0		4.1		11.0		205.0		36.4	47.5	10.7		120.5	
Jan-Feb05	440.4		36.1		20.7		0.8		13.2		200.9		38.8	41.0	12.5		159.7	
% Change	10.0		16.5		3.3		-80.5		20.5		-2.0		6.6	-13.7	16.8		32.5	

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3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)																					
	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries				
	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	Education	% Chg	Social Services	% Chg	Accommod. Food & Bev.	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	(000)	% Chg	
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1		173.6		134.8		100.1		1,786.1		
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	-3.7	180.8	4.1	141.6	5.0	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5	
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	1.4	186.5	3.2	142.3	0.5	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2	
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	-1.3	191.1	2.5	147.2	3.4	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0	
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	6.1	190.0	-0.6	149.3	1.4	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1	
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	9.0	198.9	4.7	154.7	3.6	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9	
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	1.5	197.9	-0.5	164.2	6.1	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4	
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	-0.7	211.6	6.9	162.4	-1.1	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0	
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	2.1	213.5	0.9	161.9	-0.3	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8	
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	-3.8	219.5	2.8	174.8	8.0	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3	
2004	Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	-2.5	215.6	4.7	156.8	4.0	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
	Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	-4.7	212.5	-0.5	165.8	7.5	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
	Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	-9.8	220.7	4.3	167.9	5.5	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
	Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	-6.9	218.6	1.5	173.6	10.4	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
	May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	-3.0	217.2	1.0	171.5	8.4	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
	Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	-0.4	224.4	3.5	182.7	10.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
	Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	-4.3	221.6	3.5	186.5	10.2	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
	Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	-9.2	218.5	3.9	184.8	6.7	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
	Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	5.2	226.3	7.1	177.0	6.2	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
	Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	-4.2	217.7	1.9	175.5	7.6	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
	Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	-0.6	218.4	1.8	175.5	9.3	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
	Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	-4.2	222.7	1.2	179.7	8.4	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005	Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	-3.0	215.6	0.0	168.6	7.5	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
	Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	2.3	216.3	1.8	162.7	-1.9	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
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Jan-Feb04	1,604.4		116.4		327.0		126.3		939.3		147.1		214.1		161.3		95.6		2,004.6		
Jan-Feb05	1,620.0		113.5		318.5		132.1		962.5		146.6		216.0		165.7		93.3		2,060.3		
% Change	1.0		-2.4		-2.6		4.6		2.5		-0.3		0.9		2.7		-2.4		2.8		

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
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Jan-Feb04	36.4		32.8		40.8		35.1		36.5		35.8	
Jan-Feb05	36.6		32.8		40.0		39.7		37.8		35.2	
% Change	0.7		-0.2		-1.8		13.1		3.4		-1.7	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
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Jan-Feb04	32.0		35.7		31.1		33.3		37.7		32.4		30.3		28.1		34.5		32.9	
Jan-Feb05	32.5		37.1		30.8		33.8		36.2		31.8		31.3		30.5		34.5		33.4	
% Change	1.6		3.8		-1.0		1.5		-3.9		-1.7		3.5		8.5		0.1		1.5	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions and comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gems4.gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

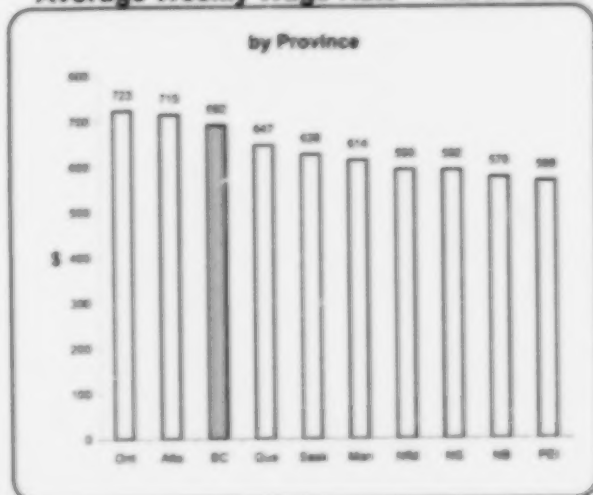
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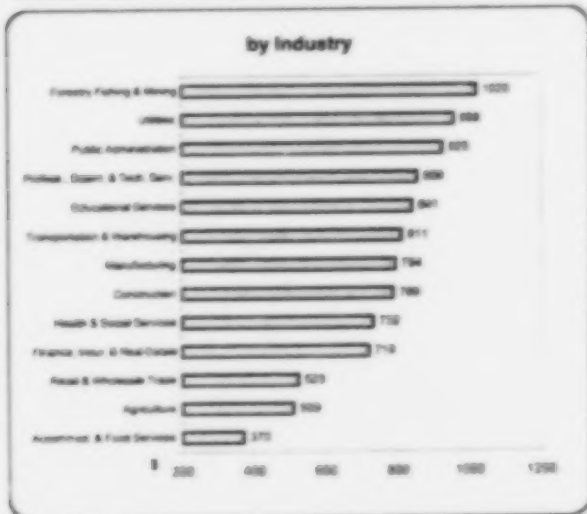
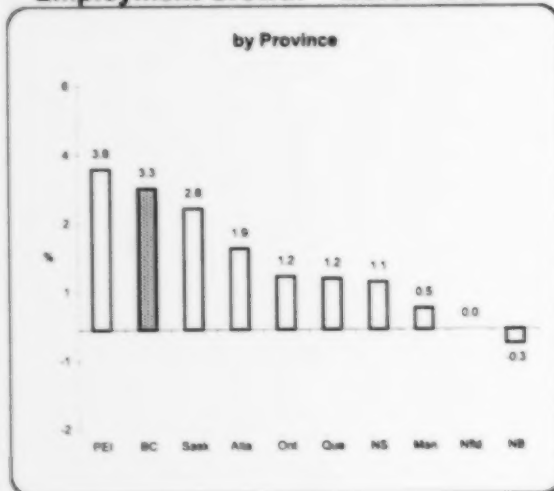
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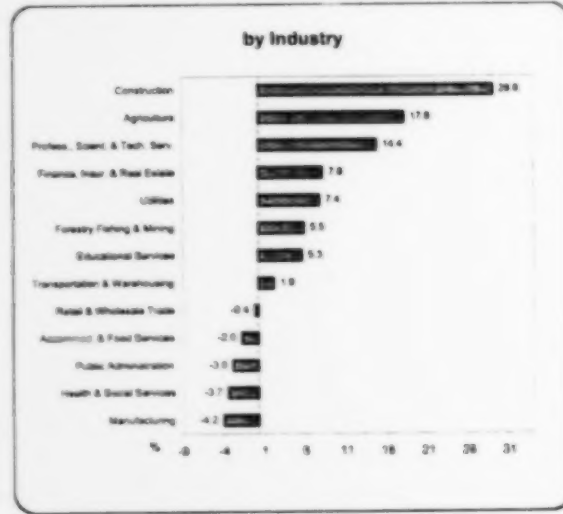
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - March 2005



Employment Growth* - March 2005



* Latest 12 month average



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Feature Article: The Educational Attainment of Aboriginal Peoples: Part II - Post Secondary Completion

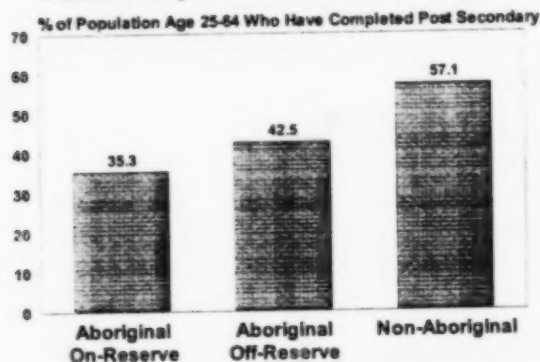
The Educational Attainment of Aboriginal Peoples Part II - Post Secondary Completion

Introduction

In Part I of this article, we looked at the high school graduation rates of on-reserve and off-reserve Aboriginal Peoples using data from the 2001 Census. The data confirmed the well-known fact that Aboriginal Peoples lag far behind the rest of the population in their completion of a high school certificate. In Part II we examine the achievement of Aboriginal Peoples in terms of their participation in, and completion of, post secondary education, once more concentrating on the comparison of the on-reserve and off-reserve populations. Where the numbers are large enough, we will look at the educational profiles in different regions of the province.

Post Secondary Completion Rates

Differences between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Post Secondary Educational Attainment -- 2001

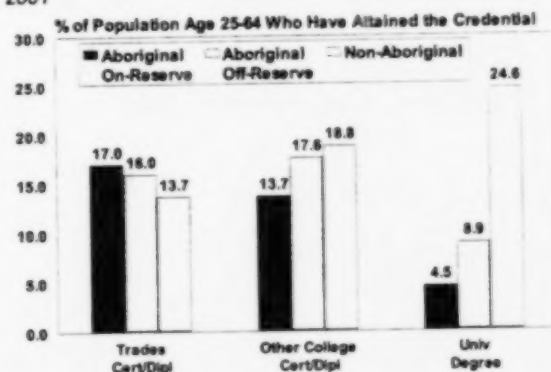


There is a very broad range of programs that fall under the umbrella of a post secondary credential. Included are certificates, diplomas and degrees obtained from public institutions such as colleges, technical institutions (e.g. BCIT), university colleges and

universities or through private institutions. Certificates/diplomas obtained in the trades are also considered a post secondary credential. In BC's public institutions, post secondary accreditation can be in programs varying in duration from three months to four or five years for a first degree and longer still for graduate degrees.

At the aggregate level, 4 out of 10 aboriginals have completed a post-secondary certificate, diploma or a degree. This compares to 6 out of 10 non-aboriginals. As was the case with high school graduation, aboriginals on reserve show a lower level of educational achievement than those living off reserve.

Further Breakout of Differences between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Post Secondary Educational Attainment 2001

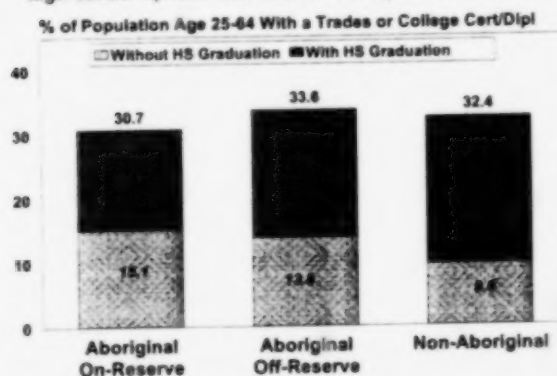


As the chart above shows, when post secondary education is broken out by the different types of credentials, it becomes evident that it is at the university level where Aboriginal Peoples fall considerably short. A non-aboriginal

person is five times more likely to have a university degree than an aboriginal on reserve and almost three times more likely than one living off reserve.

The good news is that in the trade programs, aboriginals, both on and off reserve show a higher proportion of their peoples with credentials than the non-aboriginals. Furthermore, within the college non-trade programs, the figures show that there is not much difference between the off-reserve aboriginals and the non-aboriginals in the proportion of their populations with the credential. In fact, as far as non-university post-secondary credentials are concerned, aboriginals and non-aboriginals appear to have very similar achievement levels.

Aboriginals with a Trades or College Certificate/Diploma, are more inclined to be in programs that do not require a high school diploma than are non-aboriginals.



However, there does seem to be some quality differences in the certificate/diplomas obtained. Census data show that more aboriginals with a diploma or certificate never completed their high school, particularly among those living on-reserve.

The administrative data of the Colleges, Institutes and University Colleges,

collaborate the Census findings based on the profiles of their students who have completed programs¹. Their data show that on average, between 2001 and 2004, close to one in five aboriginals had not completed high school compared to less than one in ten for non-aboriginals.

This data source shows that in terms of subject matter, aboriginals appear to be in similar programs as non-aboriginals, each having about 30 per cent of their graduates in the Arts and Sciences and 19 per cent in Natural Resources and Construction programs. The most significant differences in profiles are that aboriginals are more heavily concentrated in the Health and Social disciplines (+5%) and under-represented in Business and Computers (-5%).

Certificate, Diploma and Degree Graduates by Program Area Colleges & Institutes: 2001-2004 Average			
Program Area of Completers	Per Cent Distribution		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Difference
Arts & Sciences	29.4	30.2	-0.8
Health, Social and Related	25.0	20.8	4.2
Natural Resources and Construction	19.0	18.8	0.2
Business & Computers	15.4	20.0	-4.6
Rec Tourism & Hospitality	7.3	5.7	1.6
Visual & Performing Arts	3.9	4.5	-0.6
Total	100.0	100.0	

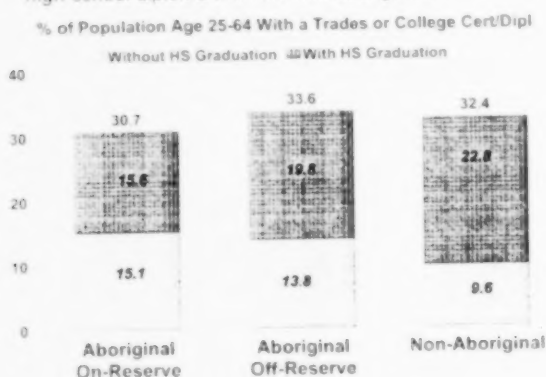
While the subject matter profiles of the two groups are similar, there is evidence that aboriginals are attaining their

¹ Students who are 'near completers' are also included in the database.

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The good news is that in the trade programs, aboriginals, both on and off reserve show a higher proportion of their peoples with credentials than the non-aboriginals. Furthermore, within the college non-trade programs, the figures show that there is not much difference between the off-reserve aboriginals and the non-aboriginals in the proportion of their populations with the credential. In fact, as far as non-university post-secondary credentials are concerned, aboriginals and non-aboriginals appear to have very similar achievement levels.

Aboriginals with a Trades or College Certificate/ Diploma, are more inclined to be in programs that do not require a high school diploma than are non-aboriginals.



However, there does seem to be some quality differences in the certificate/diplomas obtained. Census data show that more aboriginals with a diploma or certificate never completed their high school, particularly among those living on-reserve.

The administrative data of the Colleges, Institutes and University Colleges,

collaborate the Census findings based on the profiles of their students who have completed programs¹. Their data show that on average, between 2001 and 2004, close to one in five aboriginals had not completed high school compared to less than one in ten for non-aboriginals.

This data source shows that in terms of subject matter, aboriginals appear to be in similar programs as non-aboriginals, each having about 30 per cent of their graduates in the Arts and Sciences and 19 per cent in Natural Resources and Construction programs. The most significant differences in profiles are that aboriginals are more heavily concentrated in the Health and Social disciplines (+5%) and under-represented in Business and Computers (-5%).

Certificate, Diploma and Degree Graduates by Program Area Colleges & Institutes: 2001-2004 Average			
Program Area of Completers	Per Cent Distribution		
	Aboriginal	Non-Aboriginal	Difference
Arts & Sciences	29.4	30.2	0.8
Health, Social and Related	25.0	20.8	4.2
Natural Resources and Construction	19.0	18.8	0.2
Business & Computers	15.4	20.0	-4.6
Rec. Tourism & Hospitality	7.3	5.7	1.6
Visual & Performing Arts	3.9	4.5	-0.6
Total	100.0	100.0	

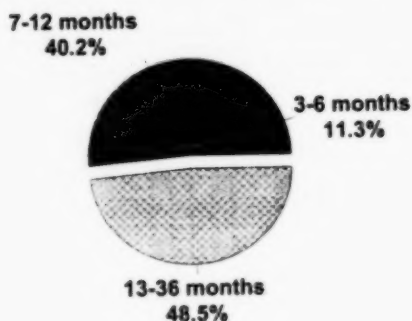
While the subject matter profiles of the two groups are similar, there is evidence that aboriginals are attaining their

¹ Students who are 'near completers' are also included in the database.

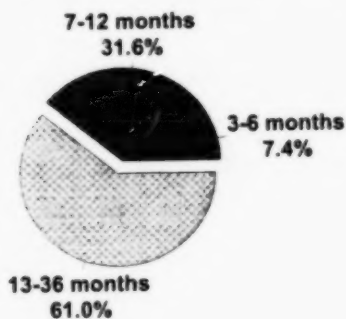
credentials in shorter programs across all disciplines than are non-aboriginals. The pie charts below show that more than one-half (52%) of aboriginal graduates have a credential in a program of less than one year duration compared to only 39 per cent of non-aboriginal graduates.

Certificate and Diploma Graduates by Length of Program Colleges & Institutes 2001-2004

Programs Completed by Aboriginals



Programs Completed by Non-Aboriginals

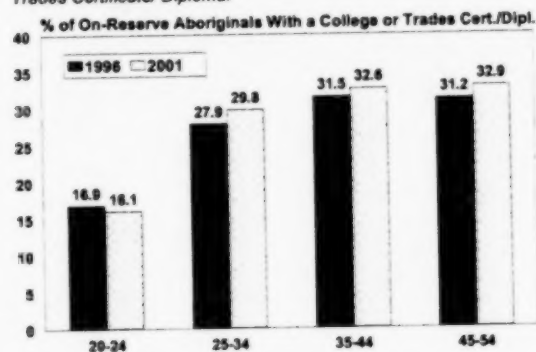


Source: College and Institutes Student Outcomes Database 2001 - 2004

But despite that, many aboriginals are attaining post secondary credentials and as the next chart shows, their achievements in this area have been

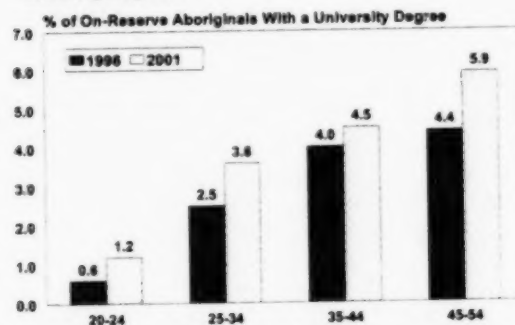
improving over time. While it is only meaningful to show changes over time for aboriginals living on-reserve², the trends in their communities likely reflect what is happening among all aboriginals. In 2001, each of the adult age groups had improved their education status from five years earlier.

Over the five year period, 1996 - 2001, a slightly higher proportion of Aboriginal Peoples Living On-Reserve attained a College or Trades Certificate/ Diploma.



Where the most promising changes have occurred is in the increase in Aboriginal Peoples who graduated with university degrees. This is the area where they are most severely under-represented.

Between 1996 and 2001, there was a significant increase in the proportion of Aboriginals On-Reserve who had University Degrees.

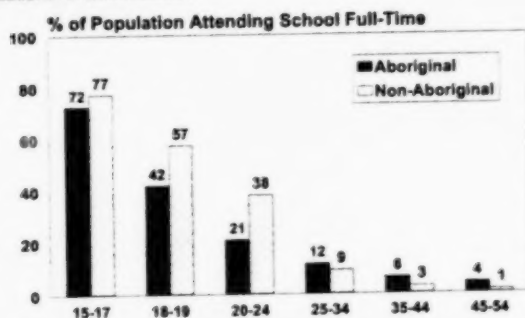


Although the numbers are small, the proportion of reserve youth, age 20-24, with a university degree doubled in five

² See the explanation of why in the footnote on page 2 of Part I of this article.

years. And overall, there were approximately 300 more aboriginals on reserve with degrees in 2001 than there were in 1996, which represents a 50 per cent increase. The chart also points out that in the aboriginal community the older age groups are better educated than their younger counterparts. This does not reflect a reduced tendency for the young to go to school than the previous generations, but instead points to the trend towards aboriginals returning to school later in life and attaining credentials. This pattern is in contrast to non-aboriginals who are far more inclined to complete their education before the age of 25.

It is during young adulthood (age 18-24), a time when the Non-Aboriginal population is completing high school and attaining post-secondary credentials, when the Aboriginal population really falls behind in educational achievement.*



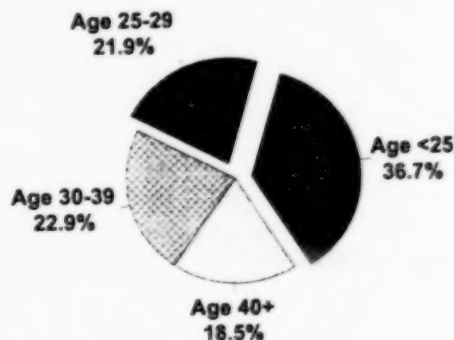
* Data from the BC K-12 Public School System show that the gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal grade completion rates start to increase radically in Grade 11.

For aboriginals age 25+, their full-time school attendance rate is almost double that of their non-aboriginal counterparts. Note how aboriginals school attendance rates drop off very gradually from age 20 onward.

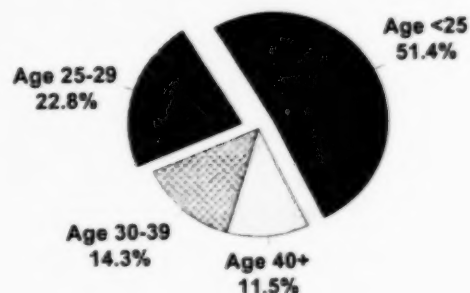
This difference in the profiles of school attendance by age between aboriginals and non-aboriginals is also evident in the College and Institutes data.

Age Profiles of College & Institute Graduates 2001-2004

Age of Aboriginal Graduates



Age of Non-Aboriginal Graduates



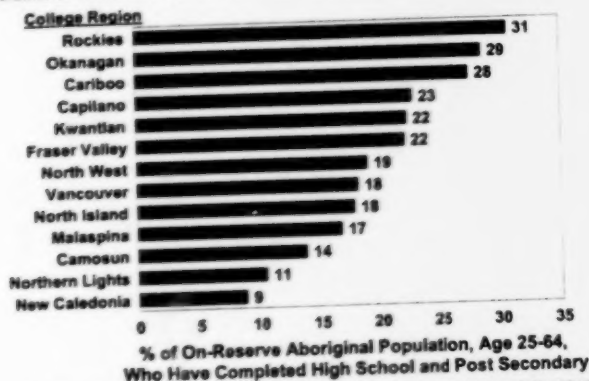
Source: College and Institutes Student Outcomes Database 2001 - 2004

In recent years, close to 40 per cent of aboriginal college graduates are age 30+. This bodes well for future outcomes of the post-secondary achievements of aboriginals. When only the young are bettering the education levels of their elders, improvements at the aggregate will take a long time to work their way through. When all age groups are improving as is the cast in the aboriginal communities, the overall education level

should show significant of improvement over the next ten years.

Regional Comparisons

Among the Reserve populations, the southern and central interior First Nations are the best educated.



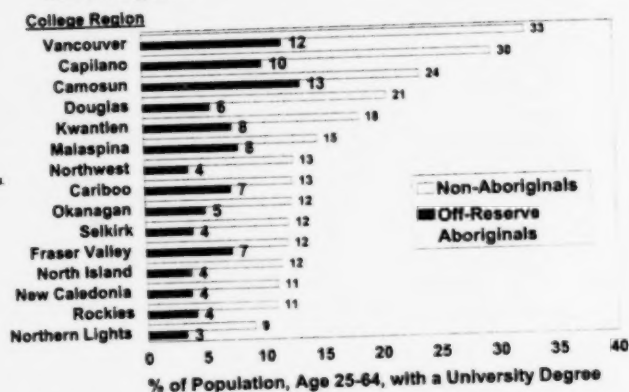
Note: The numbers are too small in the Selkirk and Douglas College Regions to produce reliable estimates.

The regional profile of post secondary attainment is very similar to that for high school completers as explained in Part I. Once more, Vancouver Island reserve populations show relatively low education levels. For Camosun (Greater Victoria) and Malaspina (Duncan, Nanaimo and Powell River) it is difficult to explain why this is the case because most of the reserves in these two regions, particularly the large reserves, have easy access to College campuses. For the North Island, as well as the mainland northern regions of Northern Lights (Northeast) and New Caledonia (Fraser/Fort George), the low proportion of the reserve populations with Post Secondary credentials is understandable – many of the reserves are not within commuting distance of a College.

As for the off-reserve aboriginal population, not surprisingly, relatively fewer of them have a university degree than the rest of the population living in the same region. But the next chart shows that their university attainment levels by region track those of non-

aboriginals fairly closely. For example, the high demand for university trained workers in Greater Vancouver and Greater Victoria attract skilled workers to the regions so the affluent residential areas in Vancouver, Capilano (North and West Vancouver) and Camosun have the best educated aboriginal and non-aboriginal populations in the province.

The regional pattern of the educational attainment of off-reserve aboriginals follows fairly closely that of non-aboriginals.



The regions that stand out as having more equitable education attainment between off-reserve aboriginals and non-aboriginals are Fraser Valley, Cariboo, Malaspina and Camosun.

Between now and 2010, the provincial government plans to expand the availability of degree programs in the regions and increase the number of seats in the Colleges. Also, web-based distant education programs continue to proliferate as delivery technologies advance. Both factors will open up education opportunities in rural areas, brightening the educational prospects for Aboriginal Peoples. One of the greatest challenges that face Aboriginal Peoples today is keeping their young in school to complete their high school enabling them to take advantage of new opportunities in the post secondary education system.

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC			Current Dollars		Constant Dollars		Seasonally Adjusted		% Change	Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada		BC	Canada	
	% Change			% Change		% Change		% Change		U.S.A.	U.S.A.		U.S.A.
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada		BC	Canada	
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8					2.4	1.7	1.5	8.5	9.6	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9					1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3					2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6					0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2					2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4					1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8					-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	1.5	3.2	-0.2	0.6	2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	0.2	0.0	2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	-1.6	0.7	2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	-2.0	1.3	3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4	7.3	5.7
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	-0.9	2.0	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8	7.3	5.6
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	-1.4	2.4	1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	-2.2	1.3	1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5	7.2	5.5
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	-3.9	-0.1	2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5	7.1	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	-4.0	0.5	3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3	7.2	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	-3.0	0.0	3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0	7.1	5.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	-1.9	0.2	2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4	7.1	5.4
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	-0.8	0.5	2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7	7.0	5.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	0.5	0.1	1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8	7.1	5.5
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.2	0.4	1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5	7.2	5.4
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	0.5	0.4	1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2	7.0	5.4
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	2.0	1.1	1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	0.7	0.4	3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar				3.0	2.6			3.3	1.6	1.5	6.5	6.9	5.2
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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1998	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1999	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
2000	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2001	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2002	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2003	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2004	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	599.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	588.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
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Jan-Mar04	694.26		703.67		736.27		634.07		612.48		735.10		650.13		581.16		592.65		582.19		601.63	
Jan-Mar05																						
% Change	2.7		3.4		6.6		-0.4		0.8		1.5		3.7		1.9		1.6		3.6		2.9	

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	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1998	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1999	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
2000	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2001	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2003	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004 Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Mar04	18.52		19.00		18.26		17.23		16.89		19.57		17.83		15.30		15.92		15.48		15.76	
Jan-Mar05	19.01		19.45		19.43		17.15		16.97		19.93		18.46		15.57		16.06		15.97		16.18	
% Change	2.7		2.4		6.4		-0.4		1.0		1.8		3.5		1.8		0.9		3.2		2.6	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)																							
	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld		
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,092.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9		
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7	
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3	
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2	
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4	
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3	
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1	
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	64.6	1.4	207.4	1.6	
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4	
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3	
2004	Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
	Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	465.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.2	199.2	1.5
	Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,179.7	1.0	3,589.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
	Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
	May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
	Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	586.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
	Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
	Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	582.0	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
	Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
	Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.9	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
	Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
	Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,665.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005	Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
	Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	3.5	1,751.1	1.7	476.7	2.5	573.1	1.7	6,265.3	0.9	3,631.8	1.7	333.3	0.4	425.6	1.4	63.0	4.1	197.2	-1.0
	Mar	15,800.8	1.5	2,077.3	3.3	1,760.2	1.9	479.5	2.8	568.8	0.5	6,256.3	1.2	3,632.6	1.2	333.3	-0.3	428.0	1.1	63.4	3.8	201.5	0.0
	Average:	15,523.5		2,006.6		1,719.1		465.0		563.8		6,189.8		3,565.9		332.4		420.4		60.6		199.9	
Jan-Mar04	15,760.3		2,066.0		1,751.6		476.8		569.9		6,248.4		3,625.2		333.0		426.9		63.0		199.5		
% Change	1.5	3.0	1.9	2.5	1.1		2.5		1.1		0.9		1.7		0.2		1.5		3.9		-0.2		

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
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Average:	33.4		32.4		35.4		33.4		33.8		33.7		32.9		33.9		29.8		29.6		33.1	
Jan-Mar04	33.5		33.5		35.5		33.4		33.5		33.5		32.8		34.3		32.7		32.4		33.5	
Jan-Mar05	0.3		3.4		0.5		-0.2		-0.9		-0.7		-0.3		1.0		9.7		9.4		1.0	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		% Chg	Service Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg
	\$	\$		\$	\$		('000)	('000)		Hrs	Hrs	
1995												
1996												
1997	732.23	576.18		18.50	16.37		377.6	1,194.9		36.3	32.1	
1998	754.02	580.58		18.99	16.54		372.0	1,248.3		36.0	31.5	
1999	762.54	591.72		19.19	16.76		409.9	1,443.7		36.2	31.6	
2000	764.37	606.09		19.25	17.20		395.6	1,497.5		36.9	32.3	
2001	781.31	615.74	1.6	19.61	17.58	1.9	408.4	1,521.7	1.6	36.3	31.2	-3.4
2002	787.72	636.71	3.7	19.91	18.27	1.5	383.9	1,538.2	1.1	35.8	31.0	-0.6
2003	810.22	652.14	2.1	20.48	18.66	2.9	392.3	1,567.9	1.9	35.6	30.8	-0.6
2004	793.67	659.20	1.1	19.94	18.74	-2.6	411.7	1,602.5	2.2	36.3	31.2	1.3
2004												
Jan	807.32	646.43	-0.1	20.53	18.70	-1.9	401.1	1,611.0	3.4	35.3	31.7	1.6
Feb	796.61	658.44	1.0	20.12	18.92	-1.5	399.3	1,597.7	1.6	37.4	32.3	2.5
Mar	774.34	654.21	0.8	19.59	18.59	-4.5	400.8	1,609.9	1.8	36.0	30.4	-3.8
Apr	779.06	650.38	0.7	19.71	18.56	-4.1	409.3	1,599.1	0.6	35.2	30.1	6.7
May	769.45	649.46	-0.2	19.42	18.53	-5.3	422.5	1,626.9	2.4	37.4	32.4	0.9
Jun	777.46	652.09	0.2	19.22	18.50	-6.2	448.0	1,657.4	3.0	36.6	32.6	0.0
Jul	788.44	651.81	-0.3	19.57	18.32	-2.9	459.7	1,644.0	2.6	36.8	32.2	1.3
Aug	794.92	662.15	1.2	19.48	18.53	-5.0	460.1	1,633.0	1.4	36.1	29.6	1.4
Sep	813.10	667.77	1.4	20.30	18.90	-1.9	441.9	1,640.8	1.9	38.4	33.0	2.5
Oct	811.80	675.19	3.3	20.40	19.06	0.1	454.9	1,636.8	0.7	33.4	29.3	1.0
Nov	817.61	669.76	2.0	20.50	19.13	1.0	439.0	1,633.9	0.5	34.1	29.6	1.7
Dec	802.53	670.16	3.0	20.51	19.14	0.3	435.5	1,654.2	-0.1	37.3	32.8	1.9
2005												
Jan	813.57	681.67	5.1	20.63	19.34	0.5	439.5	1,613.8	0.2	35.4	32.2	1.6
Feb	801.63	680.57	3.4	20.21	19.33	0.4	441.2	1,626.1	1.8	37.8	32.8	1.5
Mar	801.30	672.01	2.7	20.07	19.02	2.5	436.2	1,641.2	1.9	38.1	32.7	7.6
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Mar04	792.76	653.69		20.08	18.74		400.4	1,606.2		36.2	31.5	
Jan-Mar05	805.50	678.08		20.30	19.23		439.0	1,627.0		37.1	32.6	
% Change	1.6	3.7		1.1	2.6		9.6	1.3		2.4	3.5	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
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2005 Aug												
2005 Sep												
2005 Oct												
2005 Nov												
2005 Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Mar04												
Jan-Mar05												
% Change												

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Produced by: BC STATS

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996																				
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62		733.83		592.41		316.51		786.83		610.31	
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00		722.20		604.45		329.49		766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34		735.46		619.15		318.59		791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07		765.86		634.02		338.34		813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	3.9	745.01	-2.7	661.82	4.4	344.04	1.7	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	5.2	776.12	4.2	688.99	4.1	334.45	-2.8	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	1.2	792.62	2.1	709.95	3.0	350.61	4.8	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	-2.2	826.06	4.2	733.97	3.4	362.55	3.4	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	-4.3	749.40	-1.5	735.56	6.4	360.72	36.4	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	-8.4	813.34	10.6	762.55	11.2	336.23	27.3	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-8.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	-1.5	791.68	3.8	749.85	9.7	354.70	33.5	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	-7.0	782.68	2.2	749.60	6.5	356.77	36.7	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	-3.5	800.25	-0.5	748.27	10.8	365.48	33.1	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	-4.9	830.02	-0.1	719.07	1.4	372.22	36.3	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	-3.4	892.73	3.1	708.22	-3.2	367.38	35.6	889.91	-0.6	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	-1.6	935.34	10.6	714.84	-2.3	366.15	38.8	886.21	0.0	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	-0.6	858.90	6.3	695.21	-4.8	366.15	35.2	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	6.3	837.18	5.8	742.34	0.7	363.39	37.1	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	0.6	822.13	1.9	738.71	2.2	378.44	44.9	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	0.3	841.46	9.3	748.44	4.0	360.60	37.9	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	1.7	843.61	12.6	749.70	1.9	387.10	7.3	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	9.9	824.78	1.4	746.66	-2.1	390.46	16.1	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	10.2	823.32	4.0	719.44	-4.1	367.46	3.6	963.79	8.6	699.01	3.0
Average:																				
Jan-Mar04	653.69		739.83		518.21		748.59		849.02		784.81		749.32		350.55		914.05		680.67	
Jan-Mar05	678.08		828.31		516.90		737.55		909.98		830.57		738.60		381.67		964.51		703.67	
% Change	3.7		12.0		-0.3		-1.5		7.2		5.8		-1.4		8.9		5.5		3.4	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1997	18.99		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1998	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
1999	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2000	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2001	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2002	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2003												
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr												
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Mar04	20.08		13.57		23.38		28.86		19.84		19.99	
Jan-Mar05	20.30		13.81		23.87		25.04		20.06		20.56	
% Change	1.1		1.7		2.1		-13.2		1.1		2.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Social Services		Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13		22.37		18.23		10.12		21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60		22.07		18.52		10.42		20.93		17.08	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43		21.95		18.85		10.23		21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36		23.03		19.26		10.82		21.87		17.63	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	5.1	22.71	-1.4	20.20	4.9	10.94	1.1	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	5.2	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.1	11.10	1.5	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	-2.7	25.03	3.0	22.06	0.5	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																				
Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	-5.5	23.32	-3.6	22.45	4.3	11.64	1.7	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	-9.8	24.71	4.5	22.66	5.8	11.47	0.8	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	-5.7	24.17	0.8	22.27	5.0	11.50	-3.6	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	-7.9	23.95	-1.9	22.04	2.2	11.48	0.6	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	-1.5	24.52	0.9	22.19	3.8	11.54	3.6	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	-4.6	25.08	1.0	21.43	-1.3	11.72	6.8	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	-3.4	25.29	-0.6	21.46	-3.7	11.61	3.5	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	0.2	26.55	8.5	21.69	-4.1	11.62	5.0	25.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	-0.5	25.73	2.6	21.55	-5.2	11.74	6.7	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	3.0	25.83	6.2	22.06	-2.2	11.62	5.5	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	1.0	26.07	9.1	22.40	0.7	11.60	2.5	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	0.4	25.67	9.8	22.66	1.2	11.28	-2.2	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																				
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	2.1	25.16	7.9	22.35	-0.4	11.80	1.4	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	10.4	25.06	1.4	22.44	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	11.0	24.25	0.3	21.81	-2.1	11.78	2.4	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr																				
May																				
Jun																				
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Mar04	18.74		19.14		15.07		20.32		22.20		24.07		22.46		11.54		24.76		19.00	
Jan-Mar05	19.23		20.84		14.99		20.31		23.92		24.62		22.20		11.84		26.17		19.45	
% Change	2.6		8.9		-0.5		-0.1		7.7		3.1		-1.2		2.6		5.7		2.4	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing			Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2	43.7	24.2	126.1	
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	118.5	-6.0
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.9	23.3	124.9	5.4
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	118.4	-5.2
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	113.8	-3.9
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	111.3	-2.2
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	110.8	-0.4
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	27.5	8.3	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	117.4	6.0
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	117.4	0.0
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	141.7	20.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	47.2	10.5	122.5	15.0
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	47.7	10.9	118.5	9.0
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	54.0	9.4	123.1	8.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	49.6	10.3	127.5	22.0
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	46.9	14.2	131.7	16.9
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	45.9	14.5	148.0	21.4
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	49.6	13.4	152.4	19.2
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	44.9	11.8	154.0	21.8
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	44.3	11.3	151.7	26.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	42.3	12.7	161.5	28.7
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	42.2	11.2	155.6	28.4
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	43.3	13.2	153.3	28.1
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	39.2	12.5	159.7	30.4
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	42.7	12.5	159.7	34.8
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	43.6	12.9	158.5	28.8
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Average:	400.4		31.7		20.2		3.7		10.3		204.2		34.1	49.6	10.3	121.4	
Jan-Mar04	439.0		37.1		20.2		0.5		13.6		198.6		36.3	41.8	12.6	159.3	
Jan-Mar05	9.6		16.9		0.2		-85.7		32.8		-2.7		12.4	-15.7	23.1	31.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Food & Bev.	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8		100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	5.0	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	0.5	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	3.4	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	1.4	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	3.6	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	164.2	6.1	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	-1.1	87.1	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	-0.3	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	8.0	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	4.0	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	7.5	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	5.5	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	10.4	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	8.4	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	10.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	10.2	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	6.7	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	6.2	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	7.6	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	9.3	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	8.4	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	7.5	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	-1.9	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	-2.0	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
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Jan-Mar04	1,606.2		115.0		326.9		127.5		940.4		144.2	216.3	163.5		96.5		2,006.6	
Jan-Mar05	1,627.0		113.8		320.8		134.7		963.7		146.3	214.8	165.3		94.0		2,066.0	
% Change	1.3		-1.0		-1.9		5.7		2.5		1.5	-0.7	1.1		-2.6		3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.1	1.7	39.5	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.9	37.0	-11.5	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	8.3	36.5	22.5	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	0.3	32.1	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	1.1	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	5.8	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1		37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Average:	36.2		32.9		39.5		33.1		36.3		36.4	
Jan-Mar04	37.1		34.2		39.9		38.5		37.7		36.3	
% Change	2.4		4.2		1.1		16.4		4.0		-0.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Food & Bev. Accommod.,		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Average:	31.5		36.0		31.2		33.0		37.4		26.4		29.8		28.2		34.0		32.4	
Jan-Mar04	32.6		37.2		31.0		33.8		36.7		31.7		31.2		29.8		34.3		33.5	
Jan-Mar05	3.5		3.1		-0.7		2.3		-2.0		19.9		4.8		5.8		0.9		3.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions and comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gems4.gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

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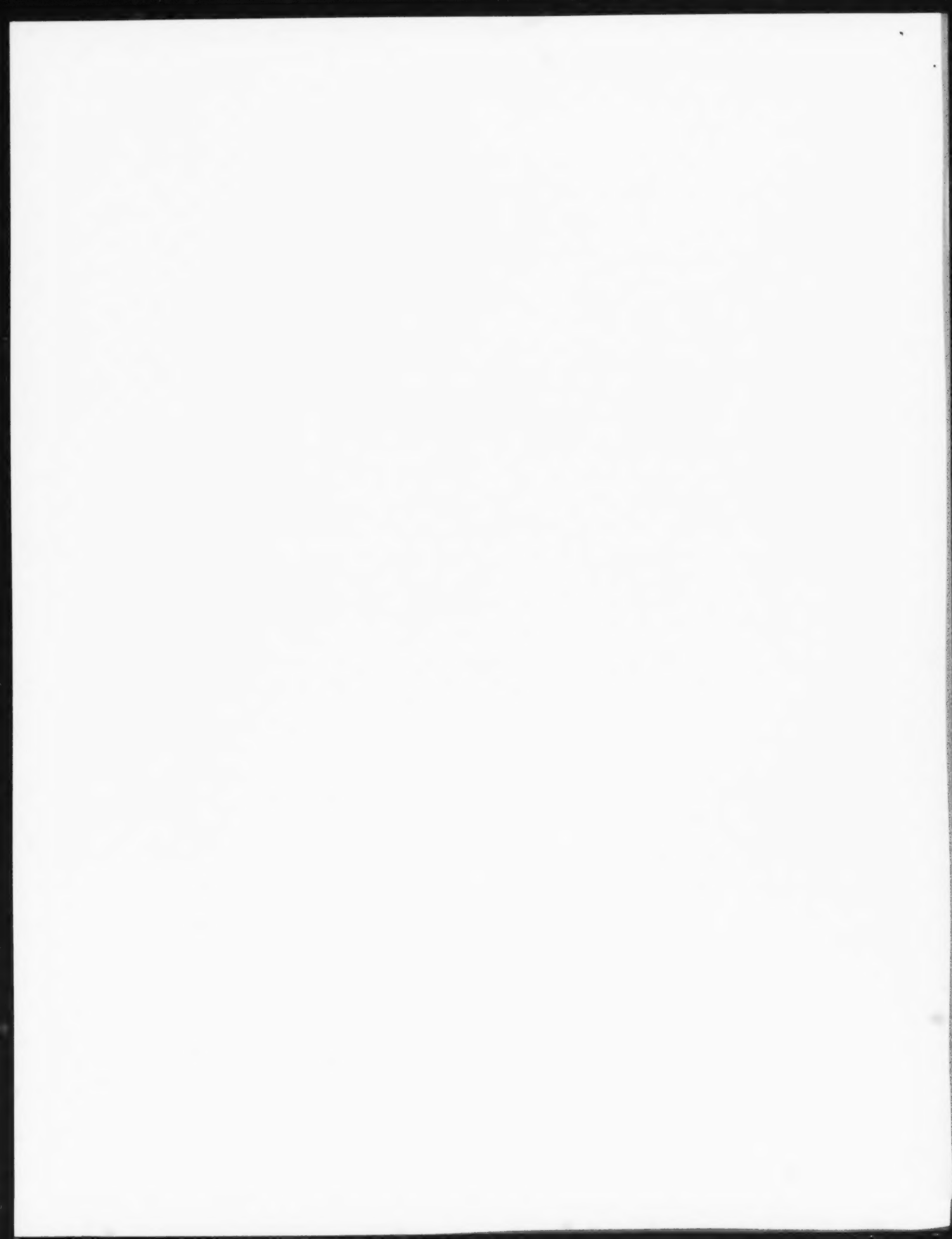
Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

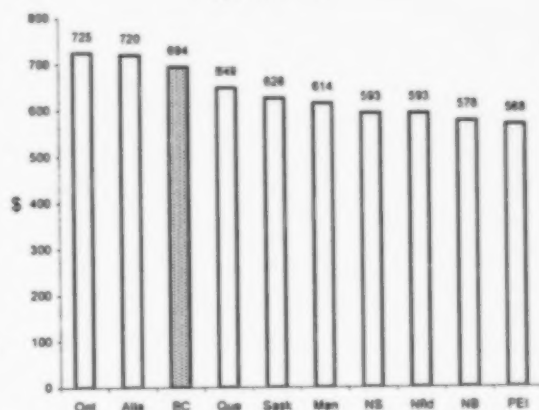
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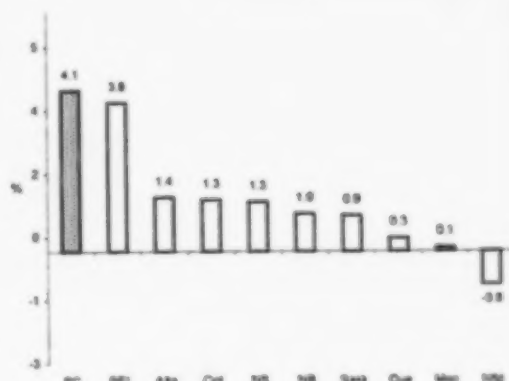
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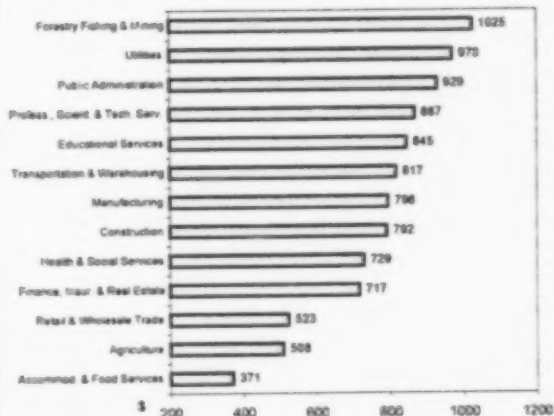


Employment Growth* - April 2005

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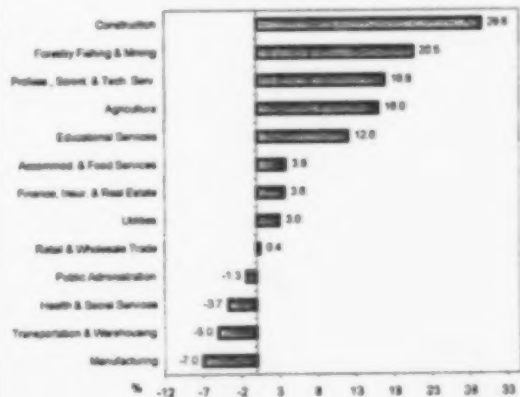


by Industry



* Latest 12 month average

by Industry



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate			Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	Seasonally Adjusted			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
	% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8							8.5	9.0	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9							8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3							8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6							8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2							8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4							7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8							7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6							8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3							8.0	7.6	5.8
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7							7.2	7.2	5.5
2004												
Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9							7.4	7.3	5.7
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7							7.8	7.3	5.8
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7							7.7	7.3	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3							7.5	7.2	5.5
May	2.5	2.5	3.1							7.5	7.1	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3							7.3	7.2	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0							7.0	7.1	5.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7							7.4	7.1	5.4
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5							6.7	7.0	5.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2							6.8	7.1	5.5
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5							6.5	7.2	5.4
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3							6.2	7.0	5.4
2005												
Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0							6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0							7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1							6.5	6.9	5.2
Apr										6.1	6.8	5.2
May												
Jun												
Jul												
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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	571.55		610.31		581.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		486.74		478.37		436.32		495.30	
1996	578.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1997	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.98		461.14		497.98	
1998	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
1999	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	582.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2000	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	556.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	587.02	3.2
2001	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.78	2.2	581.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2002	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.86	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	599.29	2.7	582.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2003	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	568.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
2004	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	696.96	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Jan	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.8	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Feb	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
Mar	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	688.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	581.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Apr	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
May	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	588.75	-2.0
Jun	679.51	2.0	686.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Jul	684.44	2.3	697.80	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	582.66	-2.3
Aug	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Sep	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Oct	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
Nov	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.40	4.7	597.02	2.2
Dec	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
2005	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.36	2.8	611.15	3.9
Jan	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
Feb																						
Mar																						
Apr																						
May																						
Jun																						
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Sep																						
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Average:	676.60		679.52		690.70		634.13		610.99		725.35		628.68		570.64		585.60		562.02		590.30	
Jan-Apr04	695.61		702.89		739.17		631.73		615.21		737.03		650.93		579.73		587.66		579.75		602.08	
% Change	2.8		3.4		7.0		-0.4		0.7		1.6		3.5		1.6		2.1		3.2		2.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1996	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1997	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1998	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
1999	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2000	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2001	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2002	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.19	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.06	3.9	15.46	0.0
2003																						
2004																						
Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.84	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May																						
Jun																						
Jul																						
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Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	18.53		18.95		18.27		17.17		16.85		19.59		17.85		15.30		15.97		15.48		15.83	
Jan-Apr04	19.03		19.42		19.50		17.10		17.02		19.97		18.45		15.55		16.14		15.94		16.17	
Jan-Apr05	2.7		2.5		6.7		-0.5		1.0		2.0		3.3		1.6		1.1		3.0		2.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada	BC	Alberta	Sask	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld
	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg	('000) % Chg
1995	13,271.0	1,786.1	1,363.4	457.9	515.2	5,092.5	3,122.2	307.3	374.5	57.1	194.9
1996	13,391.6	1,813.3	1,403.7	456.3	515.9	5,158.1	3,116.8	305.4	375.7	58.7	187.7
1997	13,676.5	1,854.0	1,450.2	465.5	523.7	5,283.3	3,162.4	309.4	381.0	58.6	188.3
1998	14,019.2	1,853.5	1,507.7	469.9	532.8	5,450.9	3,242.9	315.7	393.8	59.5	192.4
1999	14,389.8	1,893.1	1,542.2	471.6	540.0	5,632.8	3,320.1	325.7	403.2	60.2	200.8
2000	14,758.6	1,930.0	1,583.6	473.6	551.7	5,814.0	3,402.2	331.4	411.1	62.8	198.1
2001	14,946.7	1,922.1	1,630.0	460.6	554.3	5,925.6	3,440.2	330.6	415.4	63.7	204.2
2002	15,307.9	1,960.1	1,671.5	475.4	570.6	6,208.3	3,625.1	342.9	422.4	64.6	207.4
2003	15,665.1	2,014.2	1,717.9	479.9	576.0	6,316.3	3,685.9	350.4	431.3	66.1	212.4
2004	15,949.7	2,059.7	1,757.9	483.4	582.0	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	67.0	215.2
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1,8	1,708.7	463.4	562.0	6,177.9	3,536.3	330.8	418.2	60.3	199.1
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,721.2	465.3	563.5	6,211.7	3,571.5	331.9	419.7	60.5	199.2
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	1,727.5	466.3	566.0	6,179.7	3,589.9	334.4	423.3	61.1	201.5
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	1,734.9	471.9	569.5	6,230.9	3,644.3	333.0	428.9	60.9	201.7
May	16,039.1	2.1	1,767.5	486.1	582.2	6,347.7	3,718.6	352.9	447.2	68.8	218.8
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	1,792.4	491.9	586.2	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	71.6	233.5
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	1,792.4	490.1	586.2	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	71.6	233.5
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	1,792.4	489.7	582.0	6,418.1	3,760.5	371.3	457.1	73.0	231.3
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	1,775.8	483.0	580.4	6,307.6	3,735.7	362.0	449.3	70.1	220.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	1,761.5	485.7	582.1	6,362.9	3,729.2	355.6	447.2	68.9	214.4
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	1,767.5	484.6	580.8	6,357.4	3,703.7	350.0	444.0	66.9	207.8
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	1,766.3	481.4	578.2	6,345.8	3,685.0	346.1	442.6	65.6	208.9
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	1,743.6	474.2	567.8	6,223.7	3,611.1	332.4	427.1	62.6	199.8
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	1,751.1	476.7	573.1	6,265.3	3,631.8	333.3	425.6	63.0	197.2
Mar	15,800.8	1.5	1,760.2	479.5	568.8	6,256.3	3,632.6	333.3	428.0	63.4	201.5
Apr	15,898.9	1.4	1,758.9	476.2	570.1	6,312.7	3,656.6	336.2	434.3	63.2	200.0
May											
Jun											
Jul											
Aug											
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:	15,563.7	2,007.1	1,723.1	466.7	565.3	6,200.1	3,585.5	332.5	422.5	60.7	200.4
Jan-Apr04	15,794.9	2,072.1	1,753.5	476.7	570.0	6,264.5	3,633.0	333.8	428.8	63.1	199.6
% Change	1.5	3.2	1.8	2.1	0.8	1.0	1.3	0.4	1.5	3.9	-0.4

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	34.0	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.6	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May																						
Jun																						
Jul																						
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Sep																						
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Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	33.1		32.1		34.8		33.2		33.7		33.6		32.2		33.6		30.2		30.0		32.0	
Jan-Apr04	33.8		33.7		35.6		34.0		33.8		33.9		33.1		34.1		33.1		32.7		33.5	
% Change	2.2		4.9		2.3		2.5		0.4		0.9		2.7		1.5		9.4		8.9		4.9	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
	Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	732.23		576.18		18.50		16.37		377.6		1,194.9		36.3		32.1	
1998	754.02		580.58		18.99		16.54		419.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5	36.0		31.5	
1999	762.54		591.72		19.19		16.78		409.9	12.6	1,435.0	15.0	36.2		31.6	
2000	764.37		606.09		19.25		17.20		395.6	-2.2	1,443.7	0.6	36.9		32.3	
2001	781.31	2.2	615.74	1.9	19.61	1.9	17.58	2.2	408.4	-3.5	1,497.5	3.7	36.2	-1.6	31.2	-3.4
2002	787.72	0.8	638.71	3.7	19.91	1.5	18.27	3.9	383.9	3.2	1,521.7	1.6	35.8	-1.4	31.0	-0.6
2003	810.22	2.9	652.14	2.1	20.48	2.9	18.66	2.1	392.3	-6.0	1,567.9	1.9	35.5	-0.6	30.8	-0.6
2004	793.67	-2.0	659.20	1.1	19.94	-2.6	18.74	0.4	411.7	4.9	1,602.5	2.2	36.3	2.0	31.2	1.3
2004 Jan	807.32	-1.8	648.43	-0.1	20.53	-1.9	18.70	-0.4	431.0	4.7	1,628.7	1.6	35.3	-3.8	31.7	1.6
2004 Feb	796.61	-1.4	658.44	1.0	20.12	-1.5	18.92	0.3	401.1	5.2	1,611.0	3.4	37.4	-0.3	32.3	2.5
2004 Mar	774.34	-4.9	654.21	0.8	19.59	-4.5	18.59	-0.6	399.3	2.4	1,597.7	1.6	36.0	-4.5	30.4	-3.8
2004 Apr	779.06	-4.9	650.38	0.7	19.71	-4.1	18.56	-0.4	400.8	-2.0	1,609.9	1.8	35.2	11.4	30.1	6.7
2004 May	769.45	-5.4	649.46	-0.2	19.42	-5.3	18.53	-0.3	409.3	3.7	1,599.1	0.6	37.4	-0.3	32.4	0.9
2004 Jun	777.46	-5.6	652.09	0.2	19.22	-6.2	18.50	0.0	422.5	1.9	1,626.9	2.4	38.6	2.9	32.6	0.0
2004 Jul	788.44	-1.7	651.81	-0.3	19.57	-2.9	18.32	-0.8	448.0	5.4	1,657.4	3.0	36.8	2.2	30.8	1.3
2004 Aug	784.92	-3.5	662.15	1.2	19.48	-5.0	18.53	0.7	459.7	4.6	1,644.0	2.6	36.1	1.7	29.6	1.4
2004 Sep	813.10	-0.4	667.77	1.4	20.30	-1.9	18.90	0.1	460.1	5.9	1,633.0	1.4	38.4	1.9	33.0	2.5
2004 Oct	811.80	1.2	675.19	3.3	20.40	0.1	19.06	1.5	441.9	5.9	1,640.8	1.9	33.4	3.1	29.3	1.0
2004 Nov	817.61	3.4	669.76	2.0	20.50	1.0	19.13	2.2	454.9	6.6	1,636.8	0.7	34.1	8.3	29.6	1.7
2004 Dec	802.53	0.5	670.16	3.0	20.51	0.3	19.14	2.5	439.0	7.5	1,633.9	0.5	37.3	5.1	32.8	1.9
2005 Jan	813.57	0.8	681.67	5.1	20.63	0.5	19.34	3.4	435.5	9.0	1,654.2	-0.1	35.4	0.3	32.2	1.6
2005 Feb	801.63	0.6	680.57	3.4	20.21	0.4	19.33	2.2	439.5	9.6	1,613.8	0.2	37.8	1.1	32.8	1.5
2005 Mar	801.30	3.5	672.01	2.7	20.07	2.5	19.02	2.3	441.2	10.5	1,626.1	1.8	38.1	5.8	32.7	7.6
2005 Apr	816.99	4.9	671.61	3.3	20.35	3.2	19.07	2.7	436.2	8.8	1,641.2	1.9	38.7	9.9	32.8	9.0
2005 May									444.6	8.6	1,646.0	2.9				
2005 Jun																
2005 Jul																
2005 Aug																
2005 Sep																
2005 Oct																
2005 Nov																
2005 Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Apr04	789.33		652.87		19.99		18.69		402.6		1,604.4		36.0		31.1	
Jan-Apr05	808.37		676.47		20.32		19.19		440.4		1,631.8		37.5		32.6	
% Change	2.4		3.6		1.6		2.7		9.4		1.7		4.2		4.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1997	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.90		755.69		705.41	
1998	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.96		749.87		736.87	
1999	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2000	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2001	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2002	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2003												
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr04	789.33		491.96		989.89		1058.54		778.52		792.81	
Jan-Apr05	808.37		541.77		1014.09		964.46		791.58		815.73	
% Change	2.4		10.1		2.4		-7.0		1.7		2.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31	
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.16		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	749.40	735.56	360.72	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	813.34	762.55	336.23	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.96	1.3	838.98	791.68	749.85	354.70	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	782.68	749.60	356.77	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	800.25	748.27	365.48	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	771.77	0.9	792.77	830.02	719.07	372.22	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	892.73	708.22	366.15	896.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	935.34	714.84	367.38	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	858.90	695.21	366.15	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	837.18	742.34	363.39	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	822.13	738.71	378.44	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	841.46	748.44	360.60	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	843.61	749.70	387.10	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	824.78	746.66	390.46	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	823.32	719.44	367.46	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	832.55	722.18	366.89	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
May																
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Average:																
Jan-Apr04	652.87		739.78		519.34		746.87		842.04	784.28	749.39	352.11	910.01		679.52	
Jan-Apr05	676.47		823.04		520.28		730.37		923.00	831.07	734.50	377.98	958.53		702.89	
% Change	3.6		11.3		0.2		-2.2		9.6	6.0	-2.0	7.3	5.3		3.4	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1997	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1998	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1999	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
2000		1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.61		11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	19.91	1.5	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	20.48	2.9	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004	19.94	-2.6										
2004 Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005 Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr04	19.99		13.36		23.65		27.92		19.83		19.93	
Jan-Apr05	20.32		13.43		24.01		25.98		20.08		20.54	
% Change	1.6		0.5		1.6		-6.9		1.2		3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13	22.37	18.23	10.12	21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60	22.07	18.52	10.42	20.93		17.08	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43	21.95	18.85	10.28	21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36	23.03	19.26	10.82	21.87		17.63	
2000	17.53	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	22.71	20.20	10.94	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	23.66	21.03	11.10	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	24.29	21.96	11.28	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	25.03	22.06	11.57	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																
2004 Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	23.32	22.45	11.64	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	24.71	22.66	11.47	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	24.17	22.27	11.50	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	23.95	22.04	11.48	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	24.52	22.19	11.54	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	25.08	21.43	11.72	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.70	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	25.29	21.46	11.61	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	26.55	21.69	11.62	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	25.73	21.55	11.74	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.03	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	25.83	22.06	11.62	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.16	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	26.07	22.40	11.60	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	25.67	22.66	11.28	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	25.16	22.35	11.80	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	10.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	25.06	22.44	11.93	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	24.25	21.81	11.78	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	25.00	21.54	11.74	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May																
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Average:																
Jan-Apr04	18.69		19.15		15.07		20.38		22.13	24.04	22.36	11.52	24.69		18.95	
Jan-Apr05	19.19		20.88		15.03		20.09		24.11	24.87	22.04	11.81	26.07		19.42	
% Change	2.7		9.0		-0.3		-1.5		9.0	3.5	-1.4	2.5	5.6		2.5	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

3.24A	B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)																				
	All Goods Prod., Industries (Incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction				
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg		
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2		43.7		24.2		126.1		
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	7.7	43.2	-1.1	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0	
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	6.3	44.9	3.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4	
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	1.2	43.6	-2.9	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2	
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	-15.6	42.5	-2.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9	
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	8.3	45.9	8.0	17.8	-20.2	111.3	-2.2	
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	8.9	48.8	6.3	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4	
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.2	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0	
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	16.3	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0	
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	-1.3	46.5	-5.1	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7	
2004	Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	4.4	41.2	49.3	47.2	3.7	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0	
	Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	14.5	47.7	-4.8	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
	Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	18.0	54.0	5.1	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
	Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	0.7	49.6	-1.4	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
	May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	-6.6	46.9	-12.2	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
	Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	0.0	45.9	-11.4	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
	Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	-22.7	49.6	-1.2	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
	Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	-19.8	44.9	-3.4	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
	Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	-18.0	44.3	0.9	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
	Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	-10.6	42.3	-12.8	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
	Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	3.2	42.2	-15.9	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
	Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	-5.7	43.3	-6.9	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005	Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	-7.3	39.2	-16.9	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
	Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	24.8	42.7	-10.5	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
	Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	26.8	43.6	-19.3	12.9	37.2	158.5	28.8
	Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	15.1	41.2	-16.9	13.8	34.0	165.2	29.6
	May																				
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Average:																					
Jan-Apr04	402.6		32.9		19.7		3.5		9.8		204.8		32.8		49.6		10.3		122.9		
Jan-Apr05	440.4		38.3		20.6		0.4		13.2		196.9		37.1		41.7		12.9		160.8		
% Change	9.4		16.7		4.7		-88.5		34.9		-3.8		13.0		-16.0		25.8		30.8		

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport, and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod. Food & Bev.	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8		100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	5.0	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	0.5	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	3.4	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	1.4	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	3.6	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	164.2	6.1	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	-1.1	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	-0.3	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	8.0	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	4.0	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	7.5	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	5.5	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	10.4	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	8.4	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	10.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	10.2	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	6.7	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	6.2	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	7.6	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	9.3	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	8.4	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	7.5	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	-1.9	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	-2.0	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.6	5.1	153.0	210.5	180.2	3.8	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May																		
Jun																		
Jul																		
Aug																		
Sep																		
Oct																		
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-Apr04	1,604.4		115.1		324.0		128.5		940.8		142.3	216.9	166.0		96.0		2,007.1	
Jan-Apr05	1,631.8		112.7		319.8		135.2		970.2		148.0	213.8	169.0		93.9		2,072.1	
% Change	1.7		-2.0		-1.3		5.2		3.1		4.0	-1.4	1.8		-2.3		3.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	35.5	7.3	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	36.7		38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:	36.0		33.5		37.5		31.6		36.2		36.1	
Jan-Apr04	37.5		35.3		39.1		38.5		38.0		37.0	
Jan-Apr05	4.2		5.3		4.4		21.7		5.0		2.4	
% Change												

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	36.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.8	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
Average:																				
Jan-Apr04	31.1		35.9		31.0		32.4		36.4		26.7		29.3		28.1		32.6		32.1	
Jan-Apr05	32.6		37.0		31.4		33.9		36.9		32.1		31.0		29.5		34.6		33.7	
% Change	4.8		2.9		1.0		4.6		1.4		19.9		5.9		5.0		6.2		4.9	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

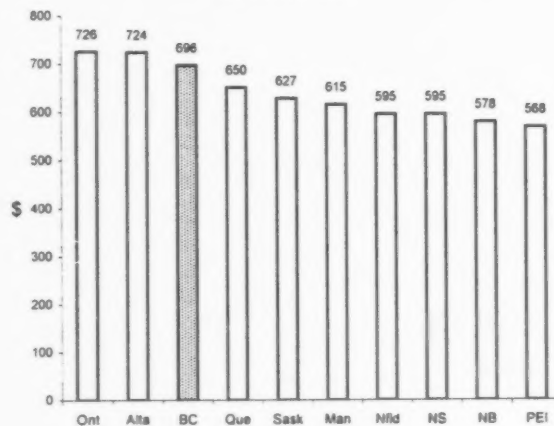
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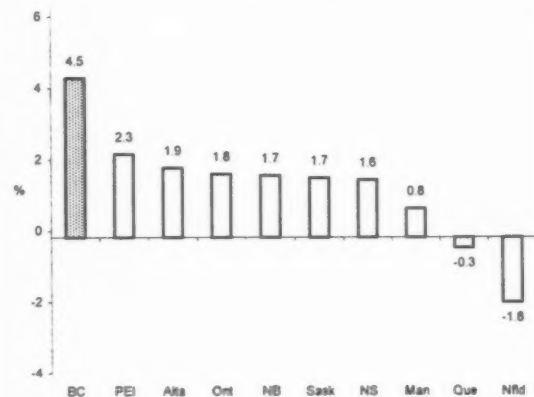
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - May 2005

by Province

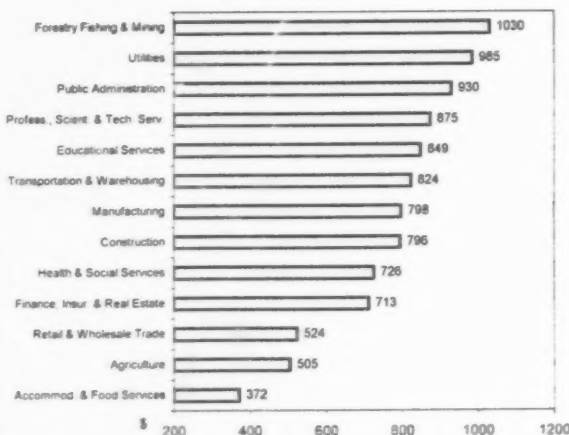


Employment Growth* - May 2005

by Province

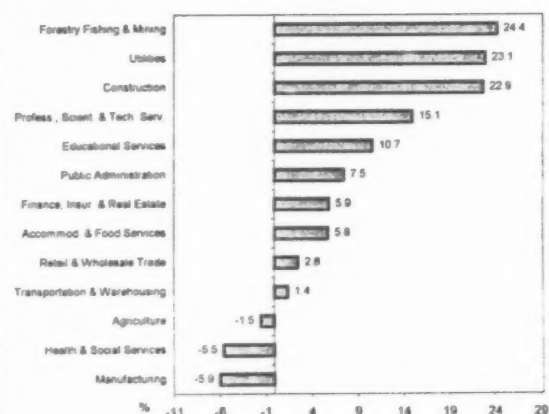


by Industry



* Latest 12 month average

by Industry



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC		U.S.A.	Current Dollars		Constant Dollars		Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.	Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.
		% Change		BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada		BC	Canada	
					% Change		% Change		% Change			(%)	
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3		-0.5	2.4	1.7	1.5	8.5	9.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3		0.4	1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.7
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5		2.1	2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5	9.2
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9		2.3	0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9	8.4
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2		1.0	2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4			3.9		0.5	1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.5	3.2	2.7	0.6	-0.2	-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7	7.2
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.3	2.6	0.7	1.0	2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6	7.7
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	0.0	2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0	7.6
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.6	-0.5	2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	1.6	-2.0	-0.3	3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4	7.3
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	2.2	-0.9	0.5	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8	7.3
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	0.9	-1.4	-0.8	1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7	7.3
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	2.4	-2.2	0.1	1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5	7.2
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	3.6	-3.9	0.5	2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5	7.1
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	0.5	-4.0	-2.7	3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3	7.2
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	2.6	-3.0	-0.4	3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0	7.1
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	3.2	-1.9	0.2	2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4	7.1
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	2.0	-0.8	0.5	2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7	7.0
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	2.9	0.5	-0.3	1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8	7.1
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.9	0.2	-2.6	1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5	7.2
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	3.2	0.5	-0.1	1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2	7.0
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	3.8	2.0	0.8	1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5	7.0
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	1.5	0.7	-1.5	3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	0.9	-0.5	3.3	1.6	1.5	6.5	6.9
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	1.6	-0.5	4.0	1.3	1.8	6.1	6.8
May				3.7	2.7	2.3			4.1	1.3	1.9	5.7	6.8
Jun													
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1998	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1999	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
2000	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2001	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2002	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2003	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2004	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.84	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Apr	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
May	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
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Average:																						
Jan-May04	676.84		678.37		692.26		631.75		612.10		725.15		630.47		568.87		587.25		561.67		590.06	
Jan-May05	695.74		702.07		740.32		632.29		616.12		736.56		651.73		580.25		600.08		575.38		604.33	
% Change	2.8		3.5		6.9		0.1		0.7		1.6		3.4		2.0		2.2		2.4		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1997	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1998	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1999	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2000	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2001	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2002	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2003	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004																						
Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.36	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun																						
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Average:																						
Jan-May04	18.51		18.90		18.31		17.09		16.85		19.57		17.86		15.23		15.94		15.32		15.78	
Jan-May05	19.00		19.39		19.50		17.08		17.03		19.93		18.41		15.51		16.14		15.77		16.15	
% Change	2.7		2.6		6.5		-0.1		1.0		1.8		3.1		1.9		1.3		2.9		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada	BC	Alberta	Sask	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld
	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)
	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
1995	13,271.0	1,786.1	1,363.4	457.9	515.2	5,092.5	3,122.2	307.3	374.5	57.1	194.9
1996	13,391.6	1,813.3	1,403.7	456.3	515.9	5,158.1	3,116.8	305.4	375.7	58.7	187.7
1997	13,676.5	1,854.0	1,450.2	465.5	523.7	5,283.3	3,162.4	309.4	381.0	58.6	188.3
1998	14,019.2	1,853.5	1,507.7	469.9	532.8	5,450.9	3,242.9	315.7	393.8	59.5	192.4
1999	14,389.8	1,893.1	1,542.2	471.6	540.0	5,632.8	3,320.1	325.7	403.2	60.2	200.8
2000	14,758.6	1,930.0	1,583.6	473.6	540.0	5,632.8	3,320.1	325.7	403.2	60.2	200.8
2001	14,946.7	1,922.1	1,630.0	460.6	551.7	5,925.6	3,402.2	331.4	415.4	62.8	198.1
2002	15,307.9	1,960.1	1,671.5	468.3	554.3	5,925.6	3,402.2	331.4	415.4	63.7	198.1
2003	15,665.1	2,014.2	1,717.9	475.4	570.6	6,035.2	3,568.0	342.9	431.3	66.1	207.4
2004	15,949.7	2,059.7	1,757.9	479.9	576.0	6,316.3	3,685.9	350.4	441.6	66.7	215.2
2004 Jan	15,468.9	2,012.2	1,708.7	463.4	562.0	6,177.9	3,536.3	330.8	418.2	60.3	199.1
Feb	15,541.3	1,997.0	1,721.2	465.3	563.5	6,211.7	3,571.5	331.9	419.7	60.5	199.2
Mar	15,560.3	2,010.7	1,727.5	466.3	566.0	6,179.7	3,589.9	334.4	423.3	61.1	201.5
Apr	15,684.4	2,008.4	1,734.9	471.9	569.5	6,230.9	3,644.3	333.0	428.9	60.9	201.7
May	16,039.1	2,049.4	1,767.5	486.1	582.2	6,347.7	3,718.6	352.9	447.2	68.8	218.8
Jun	16,300.3	2,105.4	1,792.4	491.9	586.2	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	71.6	233.5
Jul	16,342.7	2,103.7	1,779.6	490.1	578.9	6,436.0	3,803.6	369.9	462.9	72.4	245.6
Aug	16,268.3	2,093.2	1,792.2	489.7	582.0	6,418.1	3,760.5	371.3	457.1	73.0	231.3
Sep	16,067.0	2,082.7	1,775.8	483.0	580.4	6,307.6	3,735.7	362.0	449.3	70.1	220.3
Oct	16,099.2	2,091.6	1,761.5	485.7	582.1	6,362.9	3,729.2	355.6	447.2	68.9	214.4
Nov	16,035.6	2,072.9	1,767.5	484.6	580.8	6,357.4	3,703.7	350.0	444.0	66.9	207.8
Dec	15,989.6	2,089.7	1,766.3	481.4	578.2	6,345.8	3,665.0	346.1	442.6	65.6	208.9
2005 Jan	15,695.5	2,053.3	1,743.6	474.2	567.8	6,223.7	3,611.1	332.4	427.1	62.6	199.8
Feb	15,784.5	2,067.3	1,751.1	476.7	573.1	6,265.3	3,631.8	333.3	425.6	63.0	197.2
Mar	15,800.8	2,077.3	1,760.2	479.5	568.8	6,256.3	3,632.6	333.3	428.0	63.4	201.5
Apr	15,898.9	2,090.6	1,758.9	476.2	570.1	6,312.7	3,656.6	336.2	434.3	63.2	200.0
May	16,289.7	2,140.8	1,801.8	494.2	586.9	6,459.9	3,707.7	359.0	454.4	70.4	214.8
Jun											
Jul											
Aug											
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:	15,658.8	2,015.5	1,732.0	470.6	568.6	6,229.6	3,612.1	336.6	427.5	62.3	204.1
Jan-May04	15,893.9	2,085.9	1,763.1	480.2	573.3	6,303.6	3,648.0	338.8	433.9	64.5	202.7
% Change	1.5	3.5	1.8	2.0	0.8	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.5	3.5	-0.7

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun																						
Jul																						
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	33.4		32.4		35.1		33.9		33.8		33.9		32.5		33.9		31.3		31.6		32.6	
Jan-May04	34.0		33.7		35.7		34.6		34.1		34.1		33.2		34.3		33.4		33.4		33.9	
Jan-May05	1.6		4.1		1.8		2.0		0.7		0.4		2.0		1.1		7.0		5.8		4.1	
% Change																						

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries
	\$	% Chg		\$	% Chg		('000)	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg	
1995							377.6	-1.5	1,194.9			
1996							372.0	12.6	1,248.3			
1997	732.23		576.18	16.37			419.0	-2.2	1,435.0	36.3		32.1
1998	754.02		580.58	16.54			409.9	-3.5	1,443.7	36.0		31.5
1999	762.54		591.72	16.78			395.6	3.2	1,497.5	36.2		31.6
2000	764.37		606.09	19.25			408.4	-6.0	1,521.7	36.9		32.3
2001	781.31	2.2	615.74	19.61	1.9		383.9	2.2	1,538.2	36.3	-1.6	31.2
2002	787.72	0.8	638.71	19.91	1.5		392.3	3.9	1,567.9	35.8	-1.4	31.0
2003	810.22	2.9	652.14	20.48	2.9		411.7	4.9	1,602.5	35.6	-0.6	30.8
2004	793.67	-2.0	659.20	19.94	-2.6		431.0	4.7	1,628.7	36.3	2.0	31.2
2004 Jan	807.32	-1.8	648.43	20.53	-1.9		401.1	5.2	1,611.0	35.3	-3.8	31.7
2004 Feb	796.61	-1.4	658.44	20.12	-1.5		399.3	2.4	1,597.7	37.4	-0.3	32.3
2004 Mar	774.34	-4.9	654.21	19.59	-4.5		400.8	-2.0	1,609.9	36.0	-4.5	30.4
2004 Apr	779.06	-4.9	650.38	19.71	-4.1		409.3	3.7	1,599.1	35.2	11.4	30.1
2004 May	769.45	-5.4	649.46	19.42	-5.3		422.5	1.9	1,626.9	37.4	-0.3	32.4
2004 Jun	777.46	-5.6	652.09	19.22	-6.2		448.0	5.4	1,657.4	38.6	2.9	32.6
2004 Jul	788.44	-1.7	651.81	19.57	-2.9		459.7	4.6	1,644.0	36.8	2.2	30.8
2004 Aug	784.92	-3.5	662.15	19.48	-5.0		460.1	5.9	1,633.0	36.1	1.7	29.6
2004 Sep	813.10	-0.4	667.77	20.30	-1.9		441.9	5.9	1,640.8	38.4	1.9	33.0
2004 Oct	811.80	1.2	675.19	20.40	0.1		454.9	6.6	1,636.8	33.4	3.1	29.3
2004 Nov	817.61	3.4	669.76	20.50	1.0		439.0	7.5	1,633.9	34.1	8.3	29.6
2004 Dec	802.53	0.5	670.16	20.51	0.3		435.5	9.0	1,654.2	37.3	5.1	32.8
2005 Jan	813.57	0.8	681.67	20.63	0.5		439.5	9.6	1,613.8	35.4	0.3	32.2
2005 Feb	801.63	0.6	680.57	20.21	0.4		441.2	10.5	1,626.1	37.8	1.1	32.8
2005 Mar	801.30	3.5	672.01	20.07	2.5		436.2	8.8	1,641.2	38.1	5.8	32.7
2005 Apr	816.99	4.9	671.61	20.35	3.2		444.6	8.6	1,646.0	38.7	9.9	32.8
2005 May	816.34	6.1	669.67	20.39	5.0		450.2	6.6	1,690.7	38.1	1.9	32.7
Average:												
Jan-May04	785.36		652.18	19.67			406.6		1,608.9	36.3		31.4
Jan-May05	805.97		675.11	20.33			442.3		1,643.6	37.6		32.6
% Change:	3.1		3.5	2.3			8.8		2.2	3.8		4.0

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996												
1997												
1998												
1999												
2000												
2001												
2002												
2003												
2004												
2004 Jan	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
Feb	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
Mar	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
Apr	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
May	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
Jun	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
Jul	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
Aug	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
2005 Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005 Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-May04	785.36		492.51		988.50		1049.54		777.97		783.39	
Jan-May05	809.97		524.34		1020.45		1025.66		793.73		810.76	
% Change	3.1		6.5		3.2		-2.3		2.0		3.5	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31	
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.43		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	816.05	749.40	735.56	360.72	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
2004 Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	813.34	762.55	336.23	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
2004 Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	791.68	749.85	354.70	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
2004 Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	782.68	749.60	356.77	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
2004 May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	800.25	748.27	365.48	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
2004 Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	830.02	719.07	372.22	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
2004 Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	892.73	708.22	366.15	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
2004 Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	935.34	714.84	367.38	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
2004 Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	958.90	63	366.15	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
2004 Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	837.18	742.34	371	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
2004 Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	822.13	738.71	378.44	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
2004 Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	841.46	748.44	360.60	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	843.61	749.70	387.10	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
2005 Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	824.78	746.66	390.46	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
2005 Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	823.32	719.44	367.46	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
2005 Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	832.55	722.18	366.89	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
2005 May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	849.86	712.60	373.82	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7
Average:																
Jan-May04	652.18		738.56		516.98		747.07		844.59	787.47	749.17	354.78	905.64		678.37	
Jan-May05	675.11		822.66		518.72		725.93		927.55	834.82	730.12	377.15	947.82		702.07	
% Change	3.5		11.4		0.3		-2.8		9.8	6.0	-2.5	6.3	4.7		3.5	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1997	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1998	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
2000	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-16.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	26.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-May04	19.87		13.12		23.77		27.61		19.78		19.74	
Jan-May05	20.33		13.05		24.04		26.97		20.13		20.37	
% Change	2.3		-0.5		1.1		-2.3		1.8		3.2	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13		22.37		18.23		10.12		21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60		22.07		18.52		10.42		20.93		17.08	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43		21.95		18.85		10.28		21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36		23.03		19.26		10.82		21.87		17.63	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	5.1	22.71	-1.4	20.20	4.9	10.94	1.1	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	5.2	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.1	11.10	1.5	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	-2.7	25.03	3.0	22.06	0.5	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																				
Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	-5.5	23.32	-3.6	22.45	4.3	11.64	1.7	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	-9.8	24.71	4.5	22.66	5.8	11.47	0.8	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	-5.7	24.17	0.8	22.27	5.0	11.50	-3.6	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	-7.9	23.95	-1.9	22.04	2.2	11.48	0.6	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	-1.5	24.52	0.9	22.19	3.8	11.54	3.6	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	-4.6	25.08	1.0	21.43	-1.3	11.72	6.8	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	-3.4	25.29	-0.6	21.46	-3.7	11.61	3.5	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	0.2	26.55	8.5	21.69	-4.1	11.62	5.0	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	-0.5	25.73	2.6	21.55	-5.2	11.74	6.7	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	3.0	25.83	6.2	22.06	-2.2	11.62	5.5	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	1.0	26.07	9.1	22.40	0.7	11.60	2.5	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	0.4	25.67	9.8	22.66	1.2	11.28	-2.2	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																				
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	2.1	25.16	7.9	22.35	-0.4	11.80	1.4	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	10.4	25.06	1.4	22.44	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	11.0	24.25	0.3	21.81	-2.1	11.78	2.4	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	12.7	25.00	4.4	21.54	-2.3	11.74	2.3	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	7.5	25.68	4.7	21.27	-4.1	11.81	2.3	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Jun																				
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-May04	18.66		19.18		14.97		20.29		22.28		24.13		22.32		11.53		24.60		18.90	
Jan-May05	19.15		20.92		14.97		19.87		24.21		25.03		21.88		11.81		25.87		19.39	
% Change	2.6		9.1		0.0		-2.1		8.7		3.7		-2.0		2.5		5.1		2.6	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2	43.7	24.2		126.1	
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	-20.2	111.3	-2.2
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	47.2	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	47.7	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	54.0	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	49.6	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	46.9	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	45.9	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	49.6	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	44.9	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	44.3	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	42.3	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	42.2	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	43.3	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	39.2	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	42.7	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	43.6	12.9	37.2	158.5	28.8
Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	41.2	13.8	34.0	165.2	29.6
May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	42.5	13.7	-3.5	161.8	22.9
Jun																		
Jul																		
Aug																		
Sep																		
Oct																		
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:	406.6		34.3		19.6		3.5		9.9		205.3		32.0	49.1	11.1		124.7	
Jan-May04	442.3		38.6		21.6		0.9		13.1		196.5		36.7	41.8	13.1		161.0	
% Change	8.8		12.4		10.0		-73.6		32.4		-4.2		14.8	-14.8	18.3		29.1	

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	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	% Chg	Health and Social Services	% Chg	Accommod. Food & Bev.	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1		173.6		134.8		100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	-3.7	180.8	4.1	141.6	5.0	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	1.4	186.5	3.2	142.3	0.5	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	-1.3	191.1	2.5	147.2	3.4	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	6.1	190.0	-0.6	149.3	1.4	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	9.0	198.9	4.7	154.7	3.6	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	1.5	197.9	-0.5	164.2	6.1	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	-0.7	211.6	6.9	162.4	-1.1	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	2.1	213.5	0.9	161.9	-0.3	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	-3.8	219.5	2.8	174.8	8.0	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	-2.5	215.6	4.7	156.8	4.0	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	-4.7	212.5	-0.5	165.8	7.5	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	-9.8	220.7	4.3	167.9	5.5	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	-6.9	218.6	1.5	173.6	10.4	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	-3.0	217.2	1.0	171.5	8.4	93.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	-0.4	224.4	3.5	182.7	10.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	-4.3	221.6	3.9	186.5	10.2	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	-9.2	218.5	3.9	184.8	6.7	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	5.2	226.3	7.1	177.0	6.2	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	-4.2	217.7	1.9	175.5	7.6	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	-0.6	218.4	1.8	175.5	9.3	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	-4.2	222.7	1.2	179.7	8.4	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	-3.0	215.6	0.0	168.6	7.5	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	2.3	216.3	1.8	162.7	-1.9	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	5.3	212.6	-3.7	164.6	-2.0	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	12.0	210.5	-3.7	180.2	3.8	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	10.7	205.2	-5.5	181.5	5.8	105.5	7.5	2,140.8	4.5
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Average:																				
Jan-May04	1,608.9		115.6		322.9		129.2		944.8		141.6		216.9		167.1		96.4		2,015.5	
Jan-May05	1,643.6		114.0		321.2		136.0		976.1		149.1		212.0		171.5		96.2		2,085.9	
% Change	2.2		-1.3		-0.5		5.3		3.3		5.3		-2.2		2.6		-0.3		3.5	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Average:	36.3		34.7		37.6		32.5		36.3		36.4	
Jan-May04	37.6		36.1		39.9		38.5		37.8		37.2	
Jan-May05	3.8		4.1		5.9		18.6		4.0		2.2	
% Change												

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Social Services		Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.4	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	-0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	32.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Average:	31.4		36.3		31.1		32.8		36.5		27.5		29.6		28.2		33.0		32.4	
Jan-May04	32.6		37.1		31.4		34.2		36.6		32.1		31.2		29.4		34.2		33.7	
% Change	4.0		2.1		1.0		4.1		0.2		17.0		5.1		4.0		3.8		4.1	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

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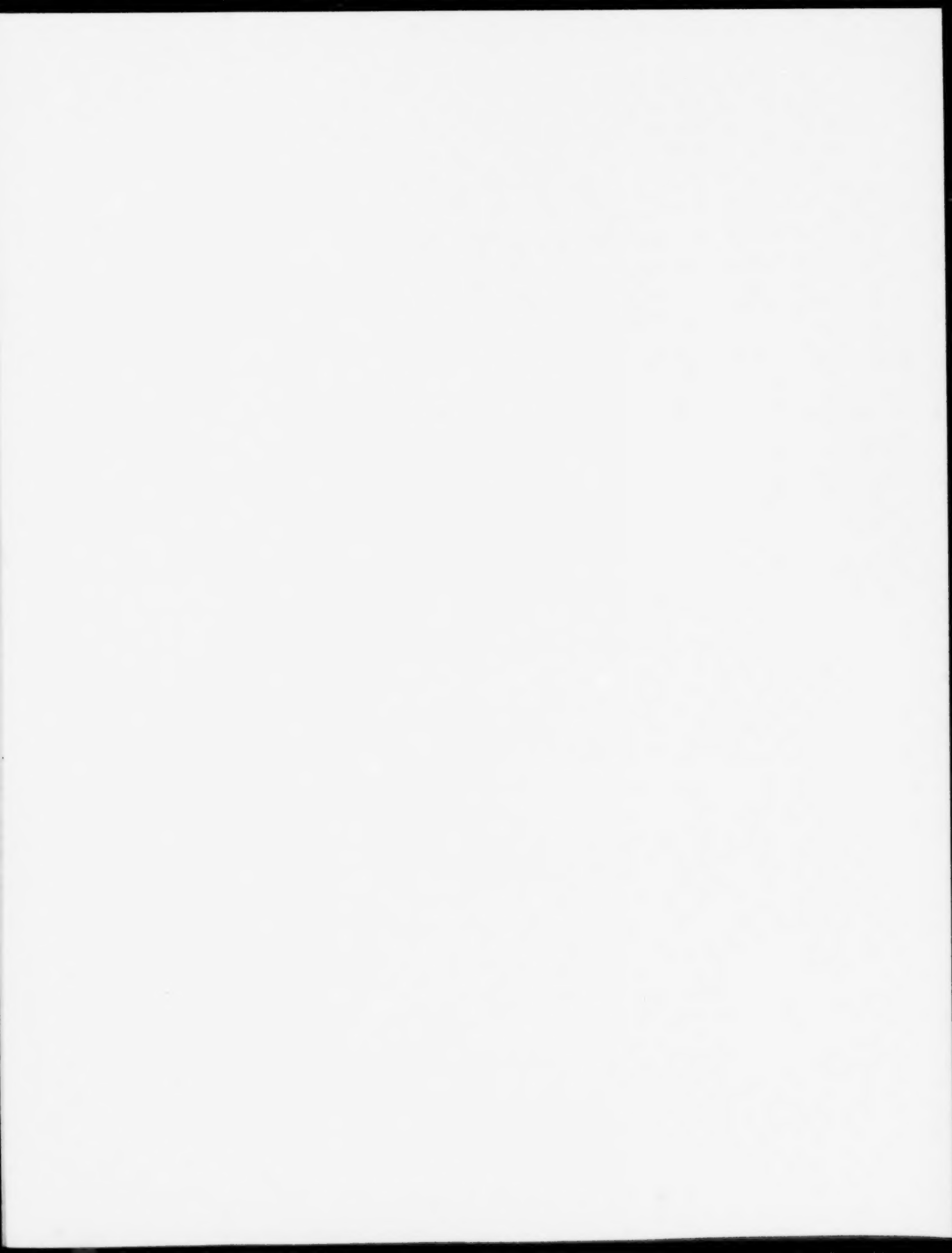
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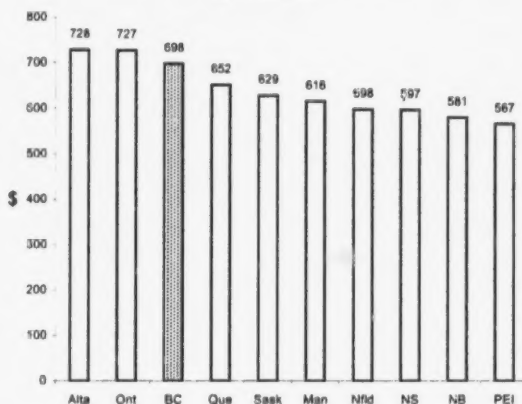
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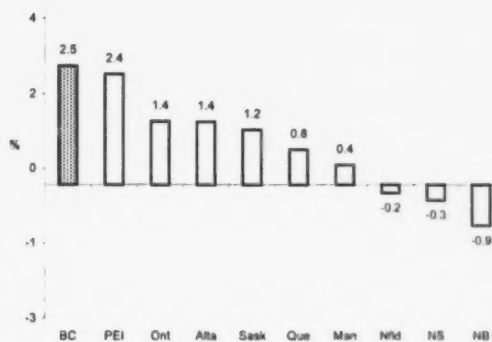
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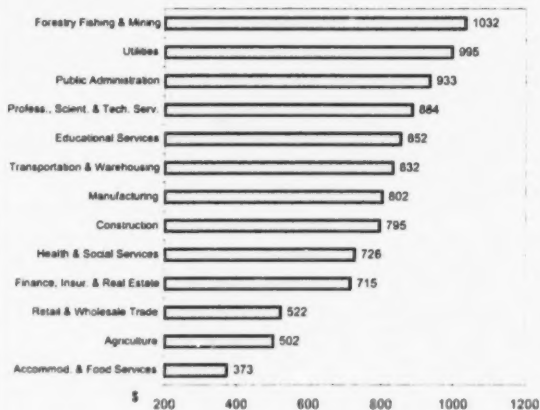


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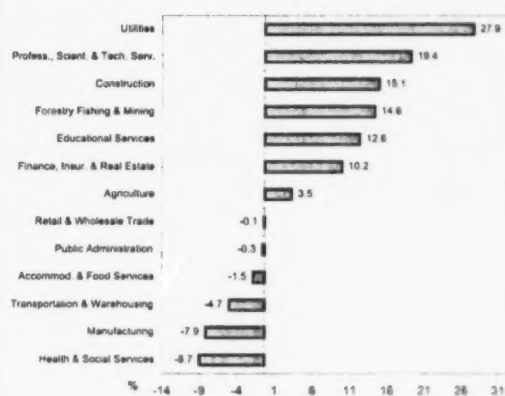


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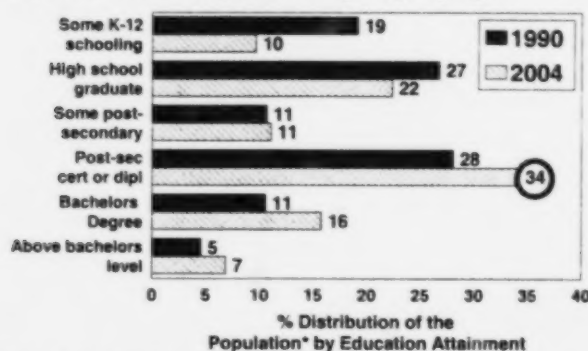
Feature Article: The Value of BC's Certificate and Diploma Post-Secondary System

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Introduction

In recent years, there has been a considerable shift in the level of education attainment of the BC population. Having a post-secondary credential of some form or another has become the norm among the prime working-age population, with 57 per cent now claiming either a university degree or a post-secondary certificate/diploma¹.

More than one-third of BC's population now have a post secondary certificate or diploma as their highest level of education, by far the largest grouping.



*British Columbia Population, age 25-54.
Data Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

Research on this large sub-sector of the population most often profiles university degree holders—the hierarchy of degrees is highly structured, and, hence, relatively easy to categorize and analyze. Where we fall short in our understanding of the post-secondary system is of the attributes and characteristics of those who have a post-secondary certificate or diploma. The

¹ 'Post-secondary Certificates/Diplomas' terminology is used throughout this paper and usually denotes credentials obtained through the public "colleges, university colleges and institutes", through private institutions, and through the universities at the undergraduate level. Statistics Canada data includes all these groups. However, when reference is made to data from the College and Institute Student Outcomes (CISO) database, the private institutes and university certificates/diplomas are not included, nor are the apprenticeship certificate/diplomas from the colleges.

adjacent chart shows that every third person falls into this category, which is now, by far, the largest group.

The main reason we do not know much about this group is that data are usually only available on the group as a whole, primarily because it is so difficult to categorize it into manageable sub-groups. College graduates' skill types and skill levels are extremely heterogeneous and credentials are accredited by a myriad of diverse public and private institutions. For example, within the public college and institute system in 2004, there were 1,120 different programs offered by the 22 different institutions. These programs covered close to 300 different fields of study² at different levels, levels which can best be categorized according to the length of time it takes to obtain the credential. In the public sector, certificate/diploma programs range in duration from one month to three years. As well, the 'programs' offered are very fluid from one year to the next, with new ones being added and others being taken off the roster continually. And these numbers cover only the public portion of the system.

While the college and institutes system poses challenges for analysts, its diversity and lack of rigid structure is its strength. It is essential that the institutions at the college level have the flexibility to be able to respond quickly to the emerging needs of local employers for skilled labour and adjust their program mix accordingly.

² According to the US Dept of Education's Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP's)

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The Structure of the Public College and Institute System in BC

To understand how large and diverse the public college and institute system is in BC, this section outlines the number and program distribution of students flowing through the system each year.

On average, between 2001 and 2004, the BC colleges and institutes produced approximately 27,500 graduates³ per year across a wide range of programs. As well, approximately 2,000 apprentices complete the education module towards their trades ticket each year. About one in four completed the Lower Division of an Arts and Sciences program which in many cases is used as credit towards a university degree. The remainder completed applied programs most of which are designed to prepare students to directly enter the job market.

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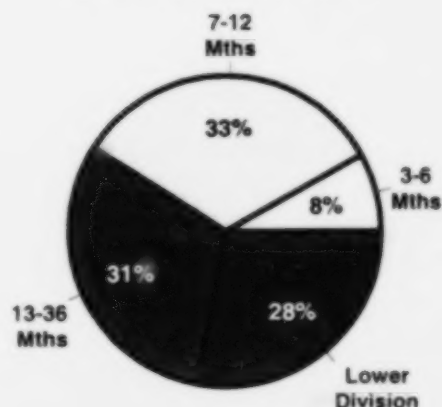
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4 Year Annual Average 2001 - 2004

	Number	% Distribution
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Business and Management	4347	15.7
Health Related (Excluding Nursing)	2072	7.5
Mechanical and Related	1801	6.5
Recreation, Tourism, Hospitality and Service	1738	6.3
Engineering, Electrical and Electronics	1737	6.3
Legal and Social	1619	5.9
Construction and Precision Production	1498	5.4
Education and Library Science	1153	4.2
Visual, Performing and Fine Arts	991	3.6
Nursing	988	3.5
Computer and Information Services	880	3.2
Agriculture, Natural Resources and Science	987	2.5
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Transportation	75	0.3

*Graduates & near graduates from the BC Colleges and Institutes - 2001-2004 excluding those completing an Apprenticeship program.

Source: College and Institutes Outcome Survey database, BC STATS

% Distribution of Graduates by Length of Program



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The distribution across the system by duration of program is shown in the pie chart above. Four out of 10 students go through programs of one year or less and a full 8 per cent are graduates from programs of less than 7 months. The Lower Division category covers the two year program for the Arts and Sciences university transfer program.

³ Included in the definition of 'graduates' are those that completed a substantial portion of their program. In some cases, it is difficult to determine which students actually did complete their program, particularly among Arts and Science students who sometimes do not apply for their credential because they are going directly on to a degree program at one of the universities.

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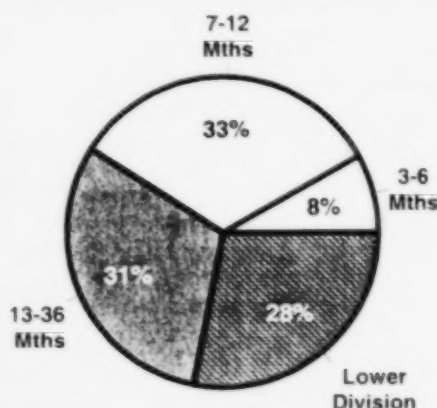
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% Distribution of Graduates by Length of Program



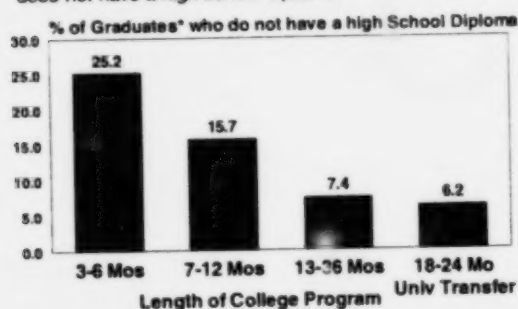
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The distribution across the system by duration of program is shown in the pie chart above. Four out of 10 students go through programs of one year or less and a full 8 per cent are graduates from programs of less than 7 months. The Lower Division category covers the two year program for the Arts and Sciences university transfer program.

³ Included in the definition of 'graduates' are those that completed a substantial portion of their program. In some cases, it is difficult to determine which students actually did complete their program, particularly among Arts and Science students who sometimes do not apply for their credential because they are going directly on to a degree program at one of the universities.

Within the groupings of program areas listed above, students taking the shorter programs of a year or less are concentrated in the Health Related area, which trains many Home Support/Resident Care Attendants and related; the Mechanical & Related and Construction & Related program areas, most of which are Entry Level Trade Training programs designed to prepare students to enter apprenticeship programs; and the Business and Management area where a large number of students are in the lower level Accounting programs and Secretarial Services. The graduates of these shorter-term programs may very well never have graduated from high school.

The College Outcomes data show that the shorter the program, the higher the probability that the graduate does not have a high school diploma.



*Graduates & near graduates from the BC Colleges and Institutes - 2001-2004
Source: College and Institutes Outcome Survey, BC STATS

The remainder of this report examines post-secondary certificate/diploma holders, including those who have not obtained a high school diploma. The data from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey provides strong evidence that splitting the population who have a college level credential into two groups—those with a high school diploma and those without—provides an effective delineation of this very large group into the lesser skilled and the more skilled. It is not perfect, but it is a way to start dividing the group into more homogeneous levels of education and skills.

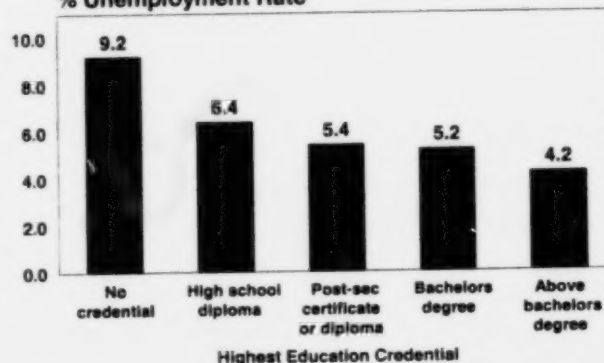
How are those with a Post-Secondary Certificate/Diploma performing in the Work Place?

The main performance measure usually used to evaluate graduates' success in the labour market is their unemployment rates (whether or not those who want a job are able to find a job). The theory is that the higher the skill level, the easier it will be to find a job and once in a job, the more likely it will be a permanent job. Canadian data consistently back up the theory.

The next chart shows the unemployment rate associated with the standard ranking of the level of education. To the right, along the horizontal axis, the education level increases. As one would expect, the probability of being unemployed declines with the attainment of a post-secondary credential. An unemployment rate in 2004 of 5.4 per cent for those with a post-secondary certificate or diploma, indicates that this group was about 1 percentage point less likely to be unemployed than those with a high school diploma and only slightly more likely (0.2 percentage points) than those holding a bachelor's degree.

As one would expect, the higher the level of education, the better the labour market outcome.

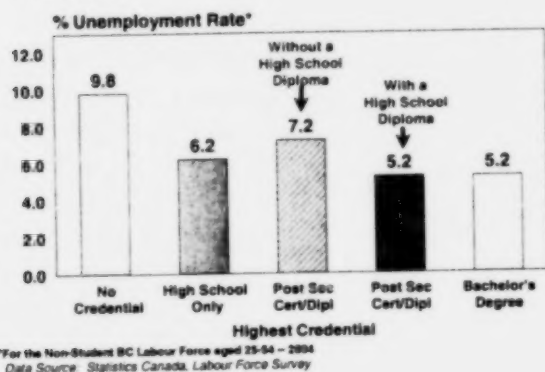
% Unemployment Rate*



*For the BC Labour Force, Age 25+ - 2004
Data Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

There are no surprises in the chart, but the picture changes considerably when the post-secondary certificate/diploma group is split into those with a high school diploma and those without, as below. This shows that the attainment of a high school diploma significantly impacts the outcomes of college graduates—the former has an unemployment rate of 7.2 per cent and the latter a rate 2 percentage points lower at 5.2 per cent.

Among persons with a Post Secondary Certificate/Diploma, those without a high school diploma find it considerably more difficult to find work than those who have one.

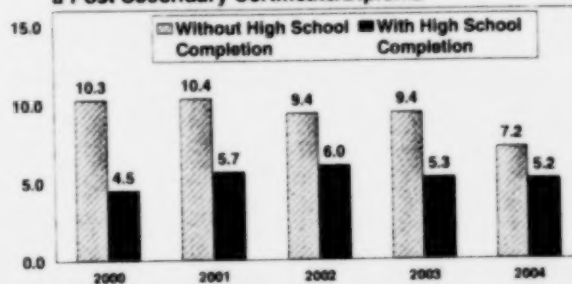


The next chart shows that this discrepancy is consistent over time. In fact, in 2004 the difference is not nearly as pronounced as it had been historically. That could have something to do with the buoyancy of the labour market in 2004 compared to the previous four years.⁴ But, suffice it to say that in BC, as well as every other province across Canada, there has been a consistently significant gap, since at least 1990, in the unemployment rate between these two groups.

⁴ In a tight labour market where labour shortages begin to appear among the more highly skilled workforce, the lesser skilled are hired in lieu and the gap between the two groups diminishes.

For those with a post secondary certificate/diploma, there is a consistently large gap in the unemployment rates between those who have a high school diploma and those who don't.

Unemployment Rate (%) for those with a Post Secondary Certificate/Diploma



The adjacent chart also reveals that when the college level credential is split into two, it no longer is unequivocal that a bachelor's degree significantly improves the probability of finding work compared to a college level credential, at least for the better educated sub-group. Both had an unemployment rate of 5.2 per cent. In the four years leading up to 2004, two of the years saw a higher rate for the bachelor's degree and the other two for the certificate/diploma sub-group. On average over the five years, the certificate/diploma group had a slightly lower unemployment rate.

Another important finding presented in the adjacent chart is how a post-secondary certificate or diploma, at least on average, is not a substitute for a high school diploma in providing stable employment. Between 2000 and 2004, the average unemployment rate for those with a high school diploma only (6.7%), was lower than the rate for those with a post-secondary certificate or diploma but no high school completion (9.3%). This pattern is similar right across Canada.

The size of this population who have completed post-secondary but never completed high school is not very

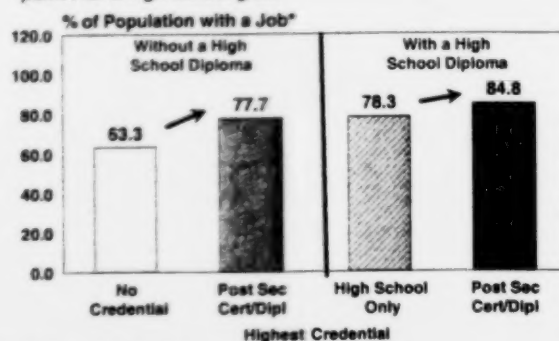
significant in the overall scheme of things. In terms of the prime working-age population, those aged 25-54, the proportion in these circumstances has remained fairly constant at between 4 to 5 per cent over the last 15 years. Among college graduates, about one in ten has not completed high school.

The fact that this population is not as successful in finding and holding jobs as those who have completed high school and not completed post-secondary, in no way detracts from the value of this type of post-secondary credential. There are many programs in the college system that do not require a high school diploma as a prerequisite, allowing persons who were unable to complete high school, for whatever reason, the chance to improve their earning potential and quality of life. The next section demonstrates what an important role the colleges/institutes play in providing these second chances to people who are at high risk of spending their working lives either chasing non-permanent, low-paid jobs and/or having to rely on the public safety net.

What are the benefits of obtaining a Post-Secondary Certificate or Diploma?

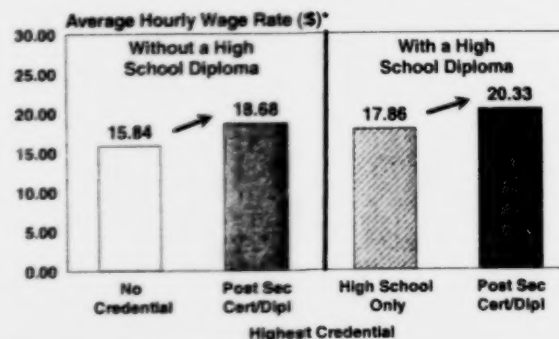
The additional amount of work available and the improved wages earned by those with a post-secondary certificate or diploma are displayed in the following three charts. These charts are designed to draw attention to the two main routes available for attaining a post-secondary certificate or diploma to emphasize the benefits of the credential compared to the alternative. The data cover the 5-year period of 2000 to 2004. The first chart shows the average probability of having a job and the second one the average wage rate for the groups.

The attainment of a post secondary certificate/diploma, increases the probability of having a job by 14 percentage points for a non-high school grad and by 7 percentage points for a high school grad.



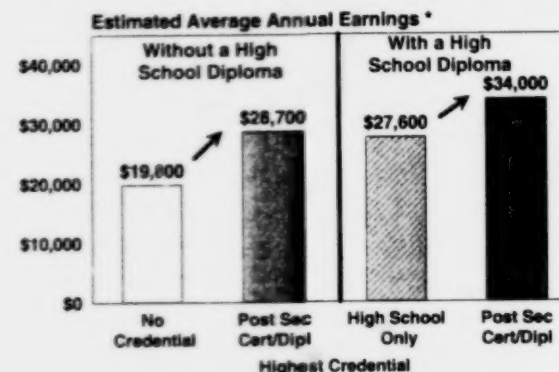
*Among the Non-Student Population aged 25-54 - 2000-2004 5 year average.
Data Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

Once on the job, those with a post secondary certificate/diploma, on average, earn \$2.80 and \$2.50 more per hour than what they could earn without the credential.



*Among Non-Student Employees, aged 25-54 - 2000-2004 5 year average.
Data Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

A post secondary certificate/diploma, increases potential annual earnings by a substantial amount, over and above what could be earned without the credential.



*Among the Non-Student Population, aged 25-54 - 2000-2004 5 year average.
Data Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

By combining the data from these two charts, the annual earning potential can be estimated. The method is to convert the employment rate into the per cent of hours of work available in a year multiplied by the wage rate for each of the four groups.⁵

For those without a high school diploma, the attainment of a college credential increases earning potential by approximately \$9,000 per year over the remainder of their working life. For those with a high school diploma, to continue on and get a college credential increases earnings by \$6,400 per year.

Besides the benefits accrued to the individual, the returns to society as a whole would potentially be substantial. There would not just be the additional tax revenue earned on the additional earnings per year, but in the case of high school dropouts, the extra income earned per year from a post-secondary certificate or diploma could raise the individual out of poverty and reduce the high social costs associated with poverty, such as income assistance, poor health and increased crime.

At the time of the 2001 Census, 20 per cent, or one in five people age 25–54 had no educational credential of any kind. That 20 per cent represents a very large under-utilized resource in our economy that potentially could become productive workers with a college/institute training program of less than a year. While that 20 per cent seems fairly high for the overall population, it is nothing compared to the situation amongst Aboriginal people. Close to one half (45%) of First Nations living on reserve had no credential. For Aboriginal people living off reserve, their rate was less severe but still, at 36 per cent, every third person did not have an educational credential.⁶

With the BC economy expected to boom in the years leading up to the 2010 games and labour shortages already becoming a reality, particularly in the construction trades, now may be the opportune time to encourage those without a credential to obtain an applied college certificate or diploma.

⁵ The average number of hours worked per year for this prime working age group is approximately 38 hours per week. The calculation used here to determine the earnings for those without a credential is $38 \text{ hrs} \times 52 \text{ weeks} \times .633 \times \$15.84 \text{ per hour} = \$19,800$ annual earnings. Note that using a constant of 38 hours across all different levels of education is not the preferred methodology. One would expect the lesser the education level, the fewer hours of work per week would be available, so the difference in potential earnings as education levels rise as presented above, is most probably understated. The appropriate data would have to be ordered through a custom tabulation from Statistics Canada to further refine these estimates of annual earnings potential.

⁶ A supplementary report, soon to be available, provides a brief overview of Aboriginal people's participation and potential to participate in the BC College and Institute system.

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index				Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth				Unemployment Rate			
	BC		Canada		U.S.A.		U.S.A.		BC		Canada		BC		Canada	
	% Change		% Change		% Change		% Change		% Change		% Change		(%)		(%)	
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8	2.3												
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9	3.3												
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3	4.5												
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	3.9												
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	3.2												
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	3.9												
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	2.7												
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	2.6												
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.2												
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.2												
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.6												
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	2.2												
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	0.9												
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	3.0												
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	2.4												
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	2.9												
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	2.3												
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.0												
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	2.3												
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	2.4												
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.9												
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.6												
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	3.0												
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.6												
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	2.6												
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.0												
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	2.7												
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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996																						
1997	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1998	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1999	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
2000	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2001	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2002	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2003	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2004	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	637.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Apr	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
May	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
Jun	701.45	3.5	700.73	3.3	749.42	8.0	644.07	2.9	632.07	2.1	741.85	2.8	656.81	2.4	593.60	6.2	619.92	4.4	547.65	-2.7	627.41	7.0
Average:																						
Jan-Jun04	676.97		678.34		692.54		630.76		613.30		724.54		632.33		567.18		588.33		561.92		589.42	
Jan-Jun05	696.69		701.85		741.84		634.26		618.78		737.44		652.58		582.47		603.39		570.76		608.17	
% Change	2.9		3.5		7.1		0.6		0.9		1.8		3.2		2.7		2.6		1.6		3.2	

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1995																						
1996	15.53																					
1997	15.72		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1998	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1999	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
2000	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2001	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2003	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004 Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.54	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul																						
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jun04	18.49		18.86		18.33		17.04		16.86		19.54		17.87		15.15		15.91		15.22		15.70	
Jan-Jun05	18.99		19.35		19.50		17.10		17.05		19.92		18.37		15.52		16.18		15.58		16.11	
% Change	2.7		2.6		6.4		0.4		1.2		2.0		2.8		2.5		1.7		2.3		2.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada	BC	Alberta	Sask	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)
	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
1995	13,271.0	1,786.1	1,363.4	457.9	515.2	5,092.5	3,122.2	307.3	374.5	57.1	194.9
1996	13,391.6	1,813.3	1,403.7	456.3	515.9	5,158.1	3,116.8	305.4	375.7	58.7	187.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,450.2	465.5	523.7	5,283.3	3,162.4	309.4	381.0	58.6	188.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	469.9	532.8	5,450.9	3,242.9	315.7	393.8	59.5	192.4
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	471.6	540.0	5,632.8	3,320.1	325.7	403.2	60.2	200.8
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	473.6	541.7	5,814.0	3,402.2	331.4	411.1	62.8	198.1
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	460.6	554.3	5,925.6	3,440.2	330.6	415.4	63.7	204.2
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	468.3	567.4	6,035.2	3,568.0	342.9	422.4	64.6	207.4
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	475.4	570.6	6,208.3	3,625.1	343.8	431.3	66.1	212.4
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	479.9	576.0	6,316.3	3,685.9	350.4	441.6	66.7	215.2
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	463.4	562.0	6,177.9	3,536.3	330.8	418.2	60.3	199.1
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	465.3	563.5	6,211.7	3,571.5	331.9	419.7	60.5	199.2
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	466.3	566.0	6,179.7	3,589.9	334.4	423.3	61.1	201.5
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	471.9	569.5	6,230.9	3,644.3	333.0	428.9	60.9	201.7
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	486.1	582.2	6,347.7	3,718.6	352.9	447.2	68.8	218.8
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	491.9	586.2	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	71.6	233.5
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	490.1	587.9	6,436.0	3,803.6	369.9	457.9	72.4	245.6
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	489.7	582.0	6,418.1	3,760.5	371.3	451.9	73.0	231.3
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	483.0	580.4	6,307.6	3,735.7	362.0	449.3	70.1	220.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	485.7	582.1	6,362.9	3,729.2	355.6	447.2	68.9	214.4
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	484.6	580.8	6,357.4	3,703.7	350.0	444.0	66.9	207.8
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	481.4	578.2	6,345.8	3,665.0	346.1	442.6	65.6	208.9
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	474.2	567.8	6,223.7	3,611.1	332.4	427.1	62.6	199.8
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	476.7	573.1	6,265.3	3,631.8	333.3	425.6	63.0	197.2
Mar	15,800.8	1.5	2,077.3	479.5	568.8	6,256.3	3,632.6	333.3	428.0	63.4	201.5
Apr	15,898.9	1.4	2,090.6	476.2	570.1	6,312.7	3,656.6	336.2	434.3	63.2	200.0
May	16,289.7	1.6	2,140.8	494.2	586.9	6,459.9	3,707.7	359.0	454.4	70.4	214.8
Jun	16,499.3	1.2	2,159.0	497.7	588.7	6,508.0	3,801.6	363.5	457.7	73.3	233.1
Jul											
Aug											
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:	15,765.7	2,030.5	1,742.0	474.2	571.6	6,261.4	3,639.0	341.6	432.8	63.9	209.0
Jan-Jun04	15,994.8	2,098.1	1,772.0	483.1	575.9	6,337.7	3,673.6	343.0	437.9	66.0	207.7
% Change	1.5	3.3	1.7	1.9	0.8	1.2	1.0	0.4	1.2	3.3	-0.6

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul																						
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	33.7		32.6		35.3		34.3		34.1		34.2		32.7		34.2		31.9		32.5		33.2	
Jan-Jun04	34.2		33.7		35.8		34.9		34.2		34.3		33.3		34.5		33.7		33.9		34.5	
Jan-Jun05	1.4		3.4		1.6		1.7		0.4		0.2		1.8		1.1		5.8		4.2		3.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		% Chg	Service Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg
	\$	\$		\$	\$		('000)	('000)		Hrs	Hrs	
1995												
1996												
1997	732.23	576.18		18.50	16.37		377.6	1,194.9				
1998	754.02	580.58		18.99	16.54		372.0	1,248.3		36.3	32.1	
1999	762.54	591.72		19.19	16.78		419.0	1,435.0		36.0	31.5	
2000	764.37	606.09		19.25	17.20		409.9	1,443.7		36.2	31.6	
2001	781.31	615.74	1.6	19.61	17.58	1.9	395.6	1,497.5	3.7	36.9	32.3	
2002	787.72	638.71	3.7	19.91	18.27	1.5	408.4	1,521.7	1.6	36.3	31.2	-3.4
2003	810.22	652.14	2.1	20.48	18.66	2.9	383.9	1,538.2	1.1	35.8	31.0	-0.6
2004	793.67	659.20	1.1	19.94	18.74	0.4	392.3	1,567.9	1.9	35.6	30.8	-0.6
							411.7	1,602.5	2.2	36.3	31.2	1.3
							431.0	1,628.7	1.6			
2004												
Jan	807.32	648.43	-0.1	20.53	18.70	-0.4	401.1	1,611.0	3.4	35.3	31.7	1.6
Feb	796.61	658.44	1.0	20.12	18.92	0.3	399.3	1,597.7	1.6	37.4	32.3	2.5
Mar	774.34	654.21	0.8	19.59	18.59	-0.6	400.8	1,609.9	1.8	36.0	30.4	-3.8
Apr	779.06	650.38	0.7	19.71	18.56	-0.4	409.3	1,599.1	0.6	35.2	30.1	6.7
May	769.45	649.46	-0.2	19.42	18.53	-0.3	422.5	1,626.9	2.4	37.4	32.4	0.9
Jun	777.46	652.09	0.2	19.22	18.50	0.0	448.0	1,657.4	3.0	38.6	32.6	0.0
Jul	788.44	651.81	-0.3	19.57	18.32	-0.8	459.7	1,644.0	2.6	36.8	32.2	1.3
Aug	784.92	662.15	1.2	19.48	18.53	0.7	460.1	1,633.0	1.4	36.1	29.6	1.4
Sep	813.10	667.77	1.4	20.30	18.90	0.1	441.9	1,640.8	1.9	38.4	33.0	2.5
Oct	811.80	675.19	3.3	20.40	19.06	1.5	454.9	1,636.8	0.7	33.4	29.3	1.0
Nov	817.61	669.76	2.0	20.50	19.13	2.2	439.0	1,633.9	0.5	34.1	29.6	1.7
Dec	802.53	670.16	3.0	20.51	19.14	2.5	435.5	1,654.2	-0.1	37.3	32.8	1.9
2005												
Jan	813.57	681.67	5.1	20.63	19.34	3.4	439.5	1,613.8	0.2	35.4	32.2	1.6
Feb	801.63	680.57	3.4	20.21	19.33	2.2	441.2	1,626.1	1.8	37.8	32.8	1.5
Mar	801.30	672.01	2.7	20.07	19.02	2.3	436.2	1,641.2	1.9	38.1	32.7	7.6
Apr	816.99	671.61	3.3	20.35	19.07	2.7	444.6	1,646.0	2.9	38.7	32.8	9.0
May	816.34	669.67	3.1	20.39	18.98	2.4	450.2	1,690.7	3.9	38.1	32.7	0.9
Jun	810.29	672.46	3.1	20.15	18.93	2.3	463.8	1,695.2	2.3	38.1	32.6	0.0
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun04	784.04	652.17		19.77	18.63		413.5	1,617.0		36.7	31.6	
Jan-Jun05	810.02	674.67		20.30	19.11		445.9	1,652.2		37.7	32.6	
% Change	3.3	3.4		2.7	2.6		7.8	2.2		2.9	3.3	

* Average Actual Hours. All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1997	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1998	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
2000	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.5	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2001	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2002	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2003	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jun	810.29	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1006.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:	784.04		497.01		986.90		1033.75		777.47		781.86	
Jan-Jun04	810.02		517.30		1018.21		1033.45		798.24		803.05	
Jan-Jun05	3.3		4.1		3.2		0.0		2.7		2.7	
% Change												

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., & Tech Services	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31	
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	749.40	735.56	360.72	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	813.34	762.55	336.23	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	791.68	749.85	354.70	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	782.68	749.60	356.77	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	800.25	748.27	365.48	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	830.02	719.07	372.22	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	892.73	708.22	366.15	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	828.99	935.34	714.84	367.38	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	858.90	695.21	366.15	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.84	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	837.18	742.34	371.39	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	822.13	738.71	378.44	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	841.46	748.44	360.60	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	843.61	749.70	387.10	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	824.78	746.66	390.46	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	823.32	719.44	367.46	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	832.55	722.18	366.89	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	849.86	712.60	373.82	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7
Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	861.34	717.39	385.17	929.73	4.5	700.73	3.3
Jul																
Aug																
Sep																
Oct																
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Jun04	652.17		743.35		519.28		742.86		835.95	794.56	744.15	357.69	903.00		678.34	
Jan-Jun05	674.67		829.05		517.73		727.42		923.19	839.24	728.00	378.48	944.81		701.85	
% Change	3.4		11.5		-0.3		-2.1		10.4	5.6	-2.2	5.8	4.6		3.5	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18 50		11 46		21 44		23 42		18 52		17 78	
1996	18 99		12 00		21 23		25 26		18 52		18 60	
1997	19 19		13 71		21 92		24 15		19 12		18 21	
1998	19 25		11 39		22 70		24 80		18 95		18 92	
2000	19 61	1 9	11 93	4 7	22 79	0 4	24 81	0 0	19 29	1 8	19 89	5 1
2001	19 91	1 5	11 83	-0 8	22 32	-2 1	25 87	4 3	19 89	3 1	20 03	0 7
2002	20 48	2 9	12 75	7 8	23 20	3 9	28 15	8 8	20 48	3 0	19 92	-0 5
2003	19 94	-2 6	12 61	-1 1	23 97	3 3	25 80	-6 3	20 02	-2 2	19 79	-0 7
2004												
Jan	20 53	-1 9	14 42	15 7	23 92	1 7	27 89	0 6	20 20	-3 0	20 32	-2 4
Feb	20 12	-1 5	13 10	5 1	22 88	-1 8	30 24	12 8	19 99	-1 1	19 99	-2 8
Mar	19 59	-4 5	13 20	3 8	23 34	-1 4	28 44	3 3	19 33	-5 0	19 66	-3 1
Apr	19 71	-4 1	12 71	5 5	24 44	-0 9	25 09	-8 5	19 79	-2 9	19 75	-2 1
May	19 42	-5 3	12 16	4 0	24 29	3 3	26 38	-3 8	19 57	-5 6	18 99	-3 6
Jun	19 22	-6 2	12 27	-1 9	23 19	4 8	24 09	-14 1	19 41	-6 3	19 06	-4 7
Jul	19 57	-2 9	11 78	-1 2	23 79	5 0	24 34	-15 6	19 95	-1 6	19 19	-2 2
Aug	19 46	-5 0	12 13	-3 1	23 21	3 7	24 93	-14 7	19 66	-5 3	19 43	-3 8
Sep	20 30	-1 9	12 47	-8 8	24 36	5 0	26 06	-8 0	20 55	-1 0	20 00	0 4
Oct	20 40	0 1	12 25	-10 3	25 74	9 8	23 79	-16 1	20 61	1 1	20 10	5 1
Nov	20 50	1 0	12 88	-7 4	23 90	4 3	22 80	-19 8	20 63	1 7	20 56	6 8
Dec	20 51	0 3	13 64	-9 2	24 65	6 3	25 25	-16 6	20 51	1 9	20 29	2 6
2005												
Jan	20 63	0 5	15 25	5 8	23 99	0 3	25 03	-10 3	20 18	-0 1	21 07	3 7
Feb	20 21	0 4	13 07	-0 2	23 27	1 7	24 60	-18 7	20 21	1 1	20 31	1 6
Mar	20 07	2 5	13 11	-0 7	24 36	4 4	25 48	-10 4	19 78	2 3	20 31	3 3
Apr	20 35	3 2	12 27	-3 5	24 43	0 0	28 80	14 8	20 13	1 7	20 46	3 6
May	20 39	5 0	11 53	-5 2	24 13	-0 7	30 93	17 2	20 35	4 0	19 70	3 7
Jun	20 15	4 8	12 00	-2 2	23 16	-0 1	27 75	15 2	20 62	6 2	19 20	0 7
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun04	19 77		12 98		23 68		27 02		19 72		19 63	
Jan-Jun05	20 30		12 87		23 89		27 10		20 21		20 18	
% Change	2 7		-0 8		0 9		0 3		2 5		2 8	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., & Tech Services	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13	22.37	18.23	10.12	21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60	22.07	18.52	10.42	20.93		17.08	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43	21.95	18.85	10.28	21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36	23.03	19.26	10.82	21.87		17.63	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	22.71	20.20	10.94	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	23.66	21.03	11.10	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	24.29	21.96	11.28	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	25.03	22.06	11.57	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																
Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	23.32	22.45	11.64	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	24.71	22.66	11.47	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	24.17	22.67	11.50	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	23.95	22.04	11.48	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	24.52	22.19	11.54	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	25.08	21.43	11.72	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	25.29	21.46	11.61	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	26.55	21.69	11.62	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	25.73	21.55	11.74	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	25.83	22.06	11.62	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	26.07	22.40	11.60	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	25.67	22.66	11.28	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	25.16	22.35	11.80	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	25.06	22.44	11.93	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	24.25	21.81	11.78	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	25.00	21.54	11.74	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	25.68	21.27	11.81	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Jun	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	25.45	21.56	11.84	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8
Jul																
Aug																
Sep																
Oct																
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Jun04	18.63		19.29		14.97		20.21		22.10	24.29	22.17	11.56	24.58		18.86	
Jan-Jun05	19.11		21.00		14.93		19.83		24.13	25.10	21.83	11.82	25.76		19.35	
% Change	2.6		8.9		-0.3		-1.9		9.2	3.3	-1.6	2.2	4.8		2.6	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)																					
	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction				
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	% Chg	Wood	% Chg	Paper and Allied	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2		43.7		24.2		126.1		
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	7.7	43.2	-1.1	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0	
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	6.3	44.9	3.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4	
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	1.2	43.6	-2.9	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2	
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	-15.6	42.5	-2.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9	
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	8.3	45.9	8.0	17.8	-20.2	111.3	-2.2	
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	8.9	48.8	6.3	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4	
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.2	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0	
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	16.3	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0	
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	-1.3	46.5	-5.1	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7	
2004	Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	4.4	41.2	49.3	47.2	3.7	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0	
	Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	14.5	47.7	-4.8	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
	Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	18.0	54.0	5.1	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
	Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	0.7	49.6	-1.4	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
	May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	-6.6	46.9	-12.2	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
	Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	0.0	45.9	-11.4	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
	Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	-22.7	49.6	-1.2	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
	Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	-19.8	44.9	-3.4	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
	Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	-18.0	44.3	0.9	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
	Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	-10.6	42.3	-12.8	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
	Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	3.2	42.2	-15.9	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
	Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	-5.7	43.3	-6.9	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005	Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	-7.3	39.2	-16.9	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
	Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	24.8	42.7	-10.5	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
	Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	26.8	43.6	-19.3	12.9	37.2	158.5	28.8
	Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	15.1	41.2	-16.9	13.8	34.0	165.2	29.6
	May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	23.2	42.5	-9.4	13.7	-3.5	161.8	22.9
	Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	69.0	12.9	27.7	193.0	-7.9	29.9	-1.3	45.8	-0.2	11.0	-24.1	170.4	15.1
	Jul																				
	Aug																				
	Sep																				
	Oct																				
	Nov																				
	Dec																				
Average:																					
Jan-Jun04	413.5		35.7		20.5		3.4		9.9		206.0		31.7		48.6		11.6		128.6		
Jan-Jun05	445.9		39.5		22.2		1.6		13.1		196.0		35.6		42.5		12.7		162.6		
% Change	7.8		10.6		8.6		-53.2		31.6		-4.9		12.3		-12.5		9.5		26.4		

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)																		
	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Social Services	Accommod. Food & Bev.	Adminstration	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8	100.1	1,786.1		1,813.3	1.5
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	105.3	1,813.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	99.0	1,854.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	92.8	1,853.5	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	89.4	1,893.1	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	90.5	1,930.0	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	164.2	88.0	1,922.1	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	87.8	1,960.1	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	94.1	2,014.2	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	97.9	2,059.7	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	94.6	2,012.2	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	96.5	1,997.0	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.5	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	98.5	2,010.7	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	94.5	2,008.4	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	98.1	2,049.4	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	99.7	2,105.4	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.0	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	99.3	2,103.7	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	102.1	2,093.2	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	99.1	2,082.7	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	98.8	2,091.6	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	96.5	2,072.9	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	96.9	2,089.7	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	92.7	2,053.3	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	93.9	2,067.3	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	95.5	2,077.3	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	210.5	180.2	93.3	2,090.6	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	205.2	181.5	105.5	2,140.8	7.5	2,140.8	4.5
Jun	1,695.2	2.3	118.4	-4.7	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	204.9	179.9	99.4	2,159.0	-0.3	2,159.0	2.5
Jul																		
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Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-Jun04	1,617.0		117.0		322.3		129.3		951.5		141.1	218.2	169.7	97.0	2,030.5		2,030.5	
Jan-Jun05	1,652.2		114.8		320.8		137.2		982.7		150.2	210.9	172.9	96.7	2,098.1		2,098.1	
% Change	2.2		-1.9		-0.5		6.1		3.3		6.5	-3.4	1.9	-0.3	3.3		3.3	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.5	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun04	36.7		35.7		38.3		32.2		36.5		36.9	
Jan-Jun05	37.7		36.8		40.2		37.8		37.9		37.1	
% Change	2.9		3.2		5.1		17.3		3.7		0.5	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	-4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.4	34.0	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.7	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Average:																				
Jan-Jun04	31.6		36.8		31.4		32.9		36.4		27.9		29.7		28.5		33.1		32.6	
Jan-Jun05	32.6		37.4		31.5		34.1		36.5		32.3		31.1		29.5		34.0		33.7	
% Change	3.3		1.4		0.4		3.9		0.2		15.6		4.6		3.4		2.8		3.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

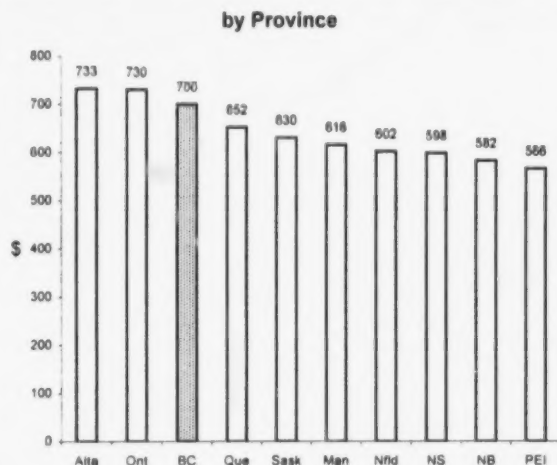
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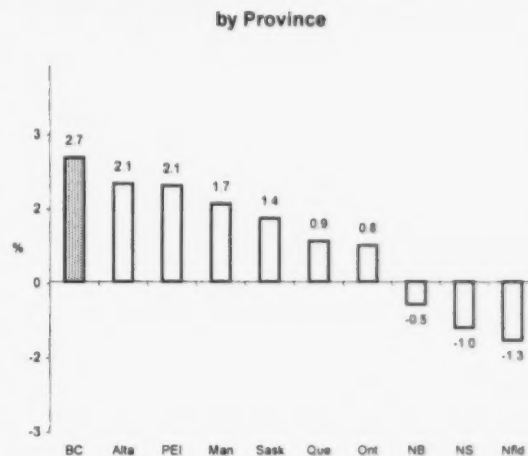


Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ July 2005

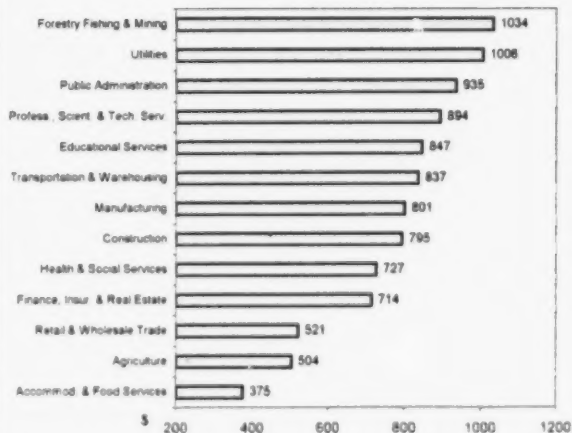
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - July 2005



Employment Growth* - July 2005

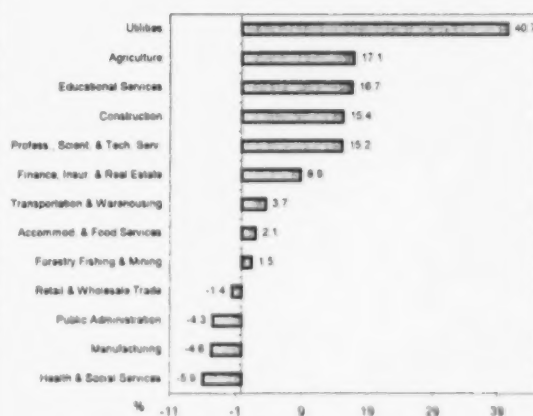


by Industry



* Latest 12 month average

by Industry



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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SUMMARY TRENDS

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	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC	% Change		U.S.A.	Current Dollars		% Change	BC	Constant Dollars		% Change	Seasonally Adjusted	
		Canada	U.S.A.		BC	Canada			U.S.A.	BC		Canada	U.S.A.
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8		2.3		-0.5	2.4	1.7	1.5	8.5	9.6	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9		3.3		0.4	1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3		4.5		2.1	2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6		3.9		2.3	0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2		3.2		1.0	2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4		3.9		0.5	1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.5	3.2	-0.2	0.6	-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.3	0.7	0.0	2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	0.2	-0.8	2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	-1.6	0.7	2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2004													
Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	-2.0	1.3	3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4	7.3	5.7
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	-0.9	2.0	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8	7.3	5.6
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	-1.4	2.4	1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	-2.2	1.3	1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5	7.2	5.5
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	-3.9	-0.1	2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5	7.1	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	-4.0	0.5	3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3	7.2	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	-3.0	0.0	3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0	7.1	5.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	-1.9	0.2	2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4	7.1	5.4
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	-0.8	0.5	2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7	7.0	5.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	0.5	0.1	1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8	7.1	5.5
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.2	0.4	1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5	7.2	5.4
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	0.5	0.4	1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2	7.0	5.4
2005													
Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	2.0	1.1	1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	1.5	0.7	3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	0.9	3.3	1.6	1.5	6.5	6.9	5.2
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	0.6	4.0	1.3	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.2
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	1.1	4.1	1.3	1.9	5.7	6.8	5.1
Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.3	3.5	2.9	1.8	2.7	1.3	1.8	5.8	6.7	5.0
Jul				2.5	3.8	2.5		2.7	1.2	1.7	6.2	6.8	5.0
Aug													
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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1996	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1997	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		585.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
1998	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2000	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.6	4.4
2001	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2002	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2003	679.74	2.6	696.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Jan	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Feb	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Mar	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
Apr	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
May	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jun	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	588.75	-2.0
Jul	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Aug	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Sep	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Oct	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Nov	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.66	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
Dec	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
2005	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Jan	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Feb	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
Mar	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
Apr	701.45	3.5	700.73	3.3	749.42	8.0	644.07	2.9	632.07	2.1	741.85	2.8	656.81	2.4	593.60	6.2	619.82	4.4	547.65	-2.7	627.41	7.0
May	701.94	3.8	698.02	2.5	757.21	7.6	645.41	2.8	625.82	0.6	746.86	4.8	653.14	1.0	585.61	3.1	611.30	3.5	537.62	-1.6	613.44	7.9
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Average:	676.89		678.71		694.16		630.33		614.53		722.86		634.34		567.31		588.69		559.69		586.47	
Jan-Jul04	697.44		701.30		744.03		635.85		619.79		738.78		652.66		582.92		604.52		566.03		608.93	
% Change	3.0		3.3		7.2		0.9		0.9		2.2		2.9		2.8		2.7		1.1		3.8	

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1996	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1997	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1998	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
1999	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2000	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.96	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2001	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.08	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2002	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.5	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2003																						
2004																						
Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.80	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.36	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.96	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.54	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.85	1.5	19.44	6.4	17.13	2.6	16.98	1.9	19.81	3.7	18.10	1.7	15.26	2.3	16.08	3.4	14.28	-0.3	15.43	5.2
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jul04	18.45		18.82		18.32		16.99		16.83		19.47		17.86		15.11		15.85		15.09		15.55	
Jan-Jul05	18.95		19.28		19.49		17.11		17.04		19.91		18.33		15.48		16.16		15.39		16.01	
% Change	2.6		2.5		6.4		0.7		1.3		2.2		2.7		2.4		1.9		2.0		3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada	BC	Alberta	Sask	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld
	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)
	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
1995	13,271.0	1,786.1	1,363.4	457.9	515.2	5,092.5	3,122.2	307.3	374.5	57.1	194.9
1996	13,301.6	1,813.3	1,403.7	456.3	515.9	5,158.1	3,116.8	305.4	375.7	58.7	187.7
1997	13,676.5	1,854.0	1,450.2	465.5	523.7	5,283.3	3,162.4	309.4	381.0	58.6	188.3
1998	14,019.2	1,853.5	1,507.7	469.9	532.8	5,450.9	3,242.9	315.7	393.8	59.5	192.4
1999	14,389.8	1,893.1	1,542.2	471.6	540.0	5,632.8	3,320.1	325.7	403.2	60.2	200.8
2000	14,758.6	1,930.0	1,583.6	473.6	551.7	5,814.0	3,402.2	331.4	411.1	62.8	200.8
2001	14,946.7	1,932.1	1,630.0	480.6	554.3	5,925.6	3,440.2	330.6	415.4	63.7	204.2
2002	15,307.9	1,960.1	1,671.5	468.3	567.4	6,035.2	3,568.0	342.9	422.4	64.6	207.4
2003	15,665.1	2,014.2	1,717.9	475.4	570.6	6,208.3	3,625.1	343.8	431.3	66.1	212.4
2004	15,949.7	2,059.7	1,757.9	479.9	576.0	6,316.3	3,665.9	350.4	441.6	66.7	215.2
2004 Jan	15,468.9	2,012.2	1,708.7	463.4	562.0	6,177.9	3,536.3	330.8	418.2	60.3	199.1
Feb	15,541.3	1,997.0	1,721.2	465.3	563.5	6,211.7	3,571.5	331.9	419.7	60.5	199.2
Mar	15,560.3	2,010.7	1,727.5	466.3	566.0	6,179.7	3,589.9	334.4	423.3	61.1	201.5
Apr	15,684.4	2,008.4	1,734.9	471.9	569.5	6,230.9	3,644.3	333.0	428.9	60.9	201.7
May	16,039.1	2,104.9	1,767.5	486.1	582.2	6,347.7	3,718.6	352.9	447.2	68.8	218.8
Jun	16,300.3	2,105.4	1,792.4	491.9	586.2	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	71.6	233.5
Jul	16,342.7	2,103.7	1,779.6	490.1	578.9	6,436.0	3,803.6	369.9	462.9	72.4	245.6
Aug	16,268.3	2,093.2	1,792.2	489.7	582.0	6,418.1	3,760.5	371.3	457.1	73.0	231.3
Sep	16,067.0	2,082.7	1,775.8	483.0	580.4	6,307.6	3,735.7	362.0	449.3	70.1	220.3
Oct	16,099.2	2,091.6	1,761.5	485.7	582.1	6,362.9	3,729.2	365.6	447.2	68.9	214.4
Nov	16,035.6	2,072.9	1,767.5	484.6	580.8	6,357.4	3,703.7	350.0	444.0	66.9	207.8
Dec	15,989.6	2,089.7	1,766.3	481.4	578.2	6,345.8	3,665.0	346.1	442.6	65.6	208.9
2005 Jan	15,695.5	2,053.3	1,743.6	474.2	567.6	6,223.7	3,611.1	332.4	427.1	62.6	199.8
Feb	15,784.5	2,067.3	1,751.1	476.7	573.1	6,265.3	3,631.8	333.3	425.6	63.0	197.2
Mar	15,800.8	2,077.3	1,760.2	479.5	568.8	6,256.3	3,632.6	333.3	428.0	63.4	201.5
Apr	15,898.9	2,090.6	1,758.9	476.2	570.1	6,312.7	3,656.6	336.2	434.3	63.2	200.0
May	16,289.7	2,140.8	1,801.8	494.2	586.9	6,459.9	3,707.7	359.0	454.4	70.4	214.8
Jun	16,499.3	2,159.0	1,816.6	497.7	588.7	6,508.0	3,801.6	363.5	457.7	73.3	233.1
Jul	16,528.7	2,160.1	1,817.2	496.8	588.6	6,486.3	3,837.0	368.1	458.3	73.9	242.5
Aug											
Sep											
Oct											
Nov											
Dec											
Average:	15,848.1	2,041.0	1,747.4	476.4	572.6	6,286.3	3,662.5	345.7	437.1	65.1	214.2
Jan-Jul04	16,071.1	2,106.9	1,778.5	485.0	577.7	6,358.9	3,696.9	346.5	440.8	67.1	212.7
% Change	1.4	3.2	1.6	1.8	0.9	1.2	0.9	0.3	0.8	3.1	-0.7

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	0.9
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	34.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.8	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.2	1.2	34.4	-0.9
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	33.4		32.5		35.1		34.1		33.8		33.9		32.4		33.9		31.9		32.7		33.4	
Jan-Jul04	33.9		33.4		35.6		34.7		33.9		34.0		32.9		34.4		33.5		33.9		34.5	
Jan-Jul05	1.2		2.8		1.5		1.8		0.3		0.3		1.5		1.4		5.1		3.8		3.1	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1997	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1998	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1999	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
2000	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2001	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2002	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2003	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jun	810.29	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1008.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Jul	794.94	0.8	523.57	4.0	1028.71	1.8	1092.34	14.5	798.62	-0.3	755.18	0.1
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:	784.67		497.91		990.23		1022.34		780.88		777.92	
Jan-Jul04	807.87		518.20		1019.71		1041.86		798.30		796.21	
Jan-Jul05			4.1		3.0		1.9		2.2		2.4	
% Change	3.0											

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62		733.83		592.41		316.51		786.83		610.31	
1997	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00		722.20		604.45		329.49		766.52		618.90	
1998	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34		735.46		619.15		318.59		791.60		626.78	
1999	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07		765.86		634.02		338.34		813.48		638.74	
2000	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	3.9	745.01	-2.7	661.82	4.4	344.04	1.7	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2001	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	5.2	776.12	4.2	688.99	4.1	334.45	-2.8	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2002	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	1.2	792.62	2.1	709.95	3.0	350.61	4.8	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2003	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	-2.2	826.06	4.2	733.97	3.4	362.55	3.4	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004																				
Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	-4.3	749.40	-1.5	735.56	6.4	360.72	36.4	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	-8.4	813.34	10.6	762.55	11.2	336.23	27.3	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	-1.5	791.68	3.8	749.85	9.7	354.70	33.5	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	-7.0	782.68	2.2	749.60	6.5	356.77	36.7	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	-3.5	800.25	-0.5	748.27	10.8	365.48	33.1	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	552.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	-4.9	830.02	-0.1	719.07	1.4	372.22	36.3	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	-3.4	892.73	3.1	708.22	-3.2	366.15	38.8	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	-1.6	935.34	10.6	714.84	-2.3	367.38	35.6	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	-0.6	858.90	6.3	695.21	-4.8	366.15	35.2	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	6.3	837.18	5.8	742.34	0.7	363.39	37.1	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	0.6	822.13	1.9	738.71	2.2	378.44	44.9	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	0.3	841.46	9.3	748.44	4.0	360.60	37.9	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005																				
Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	1.7	843.61	12.6	749.70	1.9	387.10	7.3	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	9.9	824.78	1.4	746.66	-2.1	390.46	16.1	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	10.2	823.32	4.0	719.44	-4.1	367.46	3.6	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	17.2	832.55	6.4	722.18	-3.7	366.89	2.8	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.16	-5.3	945.75	10.6	849.86	6.2	712.60	-4.8	373.82	2.3	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7
Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	13.7	861.34	3.8	717.39	-0.2	385.17	3.5	929.73	4.5	700.73	3.3
Jul	671.55	3.0	858.11	7.7	516.72	-2.4	714.14	-0.1	920.22	14.4	829.97	-7.0	722.19	2.0	396.51	8.3	909.58	2.6	698.02	2.5
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul04	652.12		750.92		520.73		738.87		831.48		808.59		739.02		358.90		900.60		678.71	
Jan-Jul05	674.22		833.20		517.58		725.52		922.76		837.92		727.17		381.06		939.78		701.30	
% Change	3.4		11.0		-0.6		-1.8		11.0		3.6		-1.6		6.2		4.4		3.3	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1997	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1998	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1999	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
2000	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun	20.15	4.8	12.00	-2.2	23.16	-0.1	27.75	15.2	20.62	6.2	19.20	0.7
Jul	19.62	0.3	12.89	9.4	23.26	-2.2	28.16	15.7	19.98	0.2	18.70	-2.6
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul04	19.74		12.81		23.69		26.64		19.75		19.57	
Jan-Jul05	20.20		12.87		23.80		27.25		20.18		19.96	
% Change	2.4		0.5		0.5		2.3		2.2		2.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13		22.37		18.23		10.12		21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60		22.07		18.52		10.42		20.93		17.08	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43		21.95		18.85		10.28		21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36		23.03		19.26		10.82		21.87		17.63	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	5.1	22.71	-1.4	20.20	4.9	10.94	1.1	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	5.2	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.1	11.10	1.5	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	-2.7	25.03	3.0	22.06	0.5	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																				
Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	-5.5	23.32	-3.6	22.45	4.3	11.64	1.7	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	-9.8	24.71	4.5	22.66	5.8	11.47	0.8	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	-5.7	24.17	0.8	22.27	5.0	11.50	-3.6	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	-7.9	23.95	-1.9	22.04	2.2	11.48	0.6	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	-1.5	24.52	0.9	22.19	3.8	11.54	3.6	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	-4.6	25.08	1.0	21.43	-1.3	11.72	6.8	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	-3.4	25.29	-0.6	21.46	-3.7	11.61	3.5	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	0.2	26.55	8.5	21.69	-4.1	11.62	5.0	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	-0.5	25.73	2.6	21.55	-5.2	11.74	6.7	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	3.0	25.83	6.2	22.06	-2.2	11.62	5.5	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	1.0	26.07	9.1	22.40	0.7	11.60	2.5	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	0.4	25.67	9.8	22.66	1.2	11.28	-2.2	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																				
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	2.1	25.16	7.9	22.35	-0.4	11.80	1.4	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	10.4	25.06	1.4	22.44	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	11.0	24.25	0.3	21.81	-2.1	11.78	2.4	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	12.7	25.00	4.4	21.54	-2.3	11.74	2.3	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	7.5	25.68	4.7	21.27	-4.1	11.81	2.3	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Jun	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	11.8	25.45	1.5	21.56	0.6	11.84	1.0	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8
Jul	18.65	1.8	21.48	9.1	14.62	-1.9	19.04	-1.9	23.53	11.1	24.52	-3.0	21.33	-0.6	11.90	2.5	24.69	2.3	18.85	1.5
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul04	18.59		19.34		14.96		20.10		21.97		24.43		22.07		11.57		24.51		18.82	
Jan-Jul05	19.05		21.07		14.88		19.71		24.04		25.02		21.76		11.83		25.61		19.28	
% Change	2.5		8.9		-0.5		-1.9		9.4		2.4		-1.4		2.3		4.5		2.5	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod., Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied		('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2	43.7	24.2		126.1	
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	-20.2	113.3	-2.2
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	47.2	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	47.7	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	54.0	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	49.6	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	46.9	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	45.9	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	49.6	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	49.9	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	44.3	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	42.3	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	42.2	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	43.3	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	39.2	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	42.7	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	43.6	12.9	37.2	158.5	28.8
Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	41.2	13.8	34.0	165.2	29.6
May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	42.5	13.7	-3.5	161.8	22.9
Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	69.0	12.9	27.7	193.0	-7.9	29.9	45.8	11.0	-24.1	170.4	15.1
Jul	484.9	5.5	50.1	17.1	23.5	-13.6	2.1	-16.0	14.3	45.9	206.1	-4.6	35.7	50.3	12.3	-8.2	175.8	15.4
Aug																		
Sep																		
Oct																		
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-Jul04	420.1		36.7		21.4		3.3		9.9		207.4		30.7	48.7	11.9		132.0	
Jan-Jul05	451.5		41.0		22.4		1.7		13.2		197.4		35.6	43.6	12.7		164.4	
% Change	7.5		11.7		4.6		-49.1		33.6		-4.6		16.1	-10.4	6.6		24.6	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

Year	B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION - Employment (000)										Total Comm., & Personal Service										Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Education		Social Services		Health and Accommod. Food & Bev.		Administration		Total All Industries									
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg						
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1		173.6		134.8		100.1		1,786.1									
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	-3.7	180.8	4.1	141.6	5.0	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5								
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	1.4	186.5	3.2	142.3	0.5	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2								
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	-1.3	191.1	2.5	147.2	3.4	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0								
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	6.1	190.0	-0.6	149.3	1.4	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1								
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	9.0	198.9	4.7	154.7	3.6	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9								
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	1.5	197.9	-0.5	164.2	6.1	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4								
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	-0.7	211.6	6.9	162.4	-1.1	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0								
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	2.1	213.5	0.9	161.9	-0.3	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8								
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	-3.8	219.5	2.8	174.8	8.0	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3								
2004	Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	-2.5	215.6	4.7	156.8	4.0	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8							
	Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	-4.7	212.5	-0.5	165.8	7.5	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7							
	Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	-9.8	220.7	4.3	167.9	5.5	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0							
	Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	-6.9	218.6	1.5	173.6	10.4	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2							
	May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	-3.0	217.2	1.0	171.5	8.4	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3							
	Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	-0.4	224.4	3.5	182.7	10.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5							
	Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	-4.3	221.6	3.5	186.5	10.2	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0							
	Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	-9.2	218.5	3.9	184.8	6.7	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4							
	Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	5.2	226.3	7.1	177.0	6.2	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7							
	Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	-4.2	217.7	1.9	175.5	7.6	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9							
	Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	-0.6	218.4	1.8	175.5	9.3	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9							
	Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	-4.2	222.7	1.2	179.7	8.4	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6							
2005	Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	-3.0	215.6	0.0	168.6	7.5	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0							
	Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	2.3	216.3	1.8	162.7	-1.9	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5							
	Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	5.3	212.6	-3.7	164.6	-2.0	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3							
	Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	12.0	210.5	-3.7	180.2	3.8	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1							
	May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	10.7	205.2	-5.5	181.5	5.8	105.5	7.5	2,140.8	4.5							
	Jun	1,695.2	2.3	118.4	-4.7	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	12.6	204.9	-8.7	179.9	-1.5	99.4	-0.3	2,159.0	2.5							
	Jul	1,675.2	1.9	130.1	3.7	322.2	-1.4	139.3	8.9	988.7	2.5	130.6	16.7	208.6	-5.9	190.5	2.1	95.0	-4.3	2,160.1	2.7							
	Aug																											
	Sep																											
	Oct																											
	Nov																											
	Dec																											
Average:																												
Jan-Jul04	1,620.9		118.2		322.9		129.1		953.3		136.9		218.7		172.1		97.3		2,041.0									
Jan-Jul05	1,655.5		116.9		321.0		137.5		983.5		147.4		210.5		175.4		96.5		2,106.9									
% Change	2.1		-1.1		-0.6		6.5		3.2		7.7		-3.7		1.9		-0.9		3.2									

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.5	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.5	13.1	43.4	6.6	35.2	10.0	35.4	-1.1	36.1	-4.0
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:	36.7		35.7		38.6		32.2		36.4		37.0	
Jan-Jul04	37.6		37.4		40.6		37.4		37.5		36.9	
Jan-Jul05	2.5		4.6		5.3		16.3		3.0		-0.2	
% Change												

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	28.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	2.4
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.4	34.0	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.7	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.6	37.5	-1.1	30.5	-4.1	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.0	29.4	5.4	31.0	2.3	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul04	31.5		37.0		31.4		32.9		36.1		26.1		29.4		28.8		32.8		32.5	
Jan-Jul05	32.3		37.4		31.4		33.8		36.0		29.9		30.8		29.7		33.7		33.4	
% Change	2.6		1.1		-0.2		2.9		-0.2		14.4		4.7		3.3		2.6		2.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job.

Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

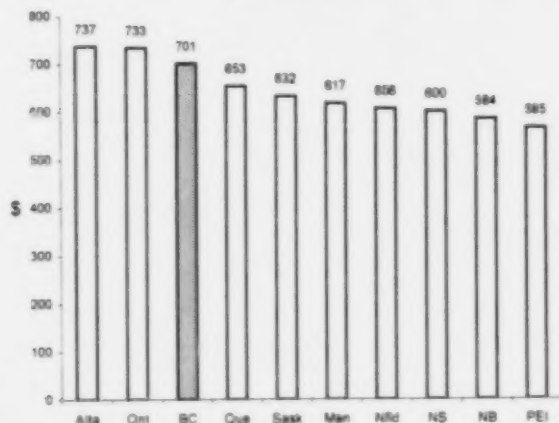
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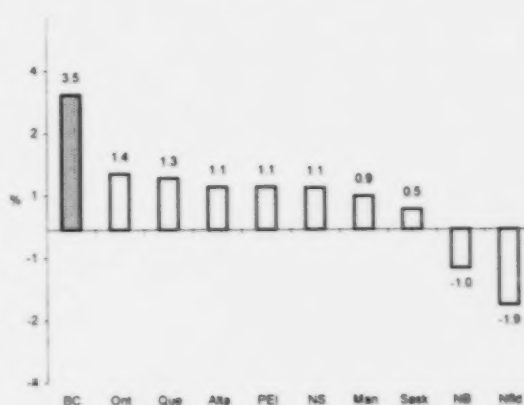
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - August 2005

by Province

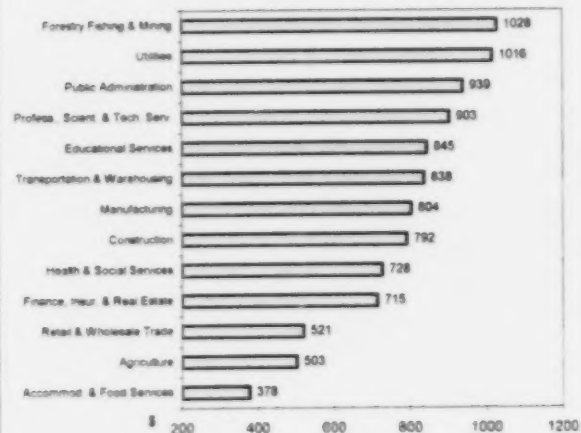


Employment Growth* - August 2005

by Province

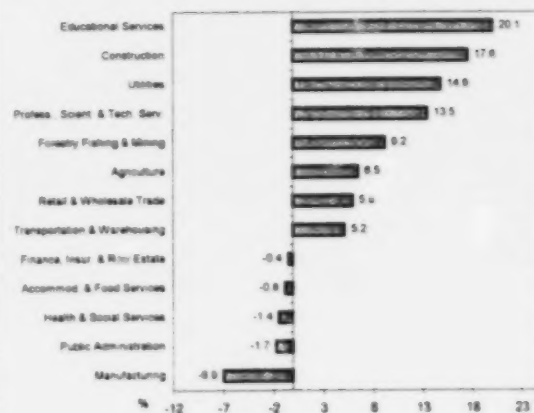


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* Latest 12 month average

by Industry



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index		Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth		Unemployment Rate	
	BC		Current Dollars		Constant Dollars		Seasonally Adjusted		Seasonally Adjusted	
	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada
	% Change		% Change		% Change		% Change		U.S.A.	
	U.S.A.		U.S.A.		U.S.A.		U.S.A.		U.S.A.	
	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada
	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	-0.5	1.5	2.4	1.7	1.5	9.6
1995	0.9	1.6	3.3	3.3	0.4	3.3	1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7
1996	0.7	1.6	4.5	4.5	2.1	4.5	2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5
1997	0.3	0.9	3.9	3.9	2.3	3.9	0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9
1998	1.1	1.7	3.2	3.2	1.0	3.2	2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3
1999	1.9	2.7	3.4	3.4	0.5	3.4	1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2
2000	1.7	2.6	2.8	2.8	-0.2	2.8	-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7
2001	2.3	2.2	1.6	1.6	0.7	1.6	2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6
2002	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	0.2	2.3	2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0
2003	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.7	-0.5	2.7	2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2
2004	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.9	-0.3	1.9	3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4
2005	1.4	0.7	1.7	1.7	-0.9	1.7	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8
Jan	0.8	0.7	1.7	1.7	-1.4	1.7	1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7
Feb	1.7	1.6	2.3	2.3	-2.2	2.3	1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5
Mar	2.5	2.5	3.1	3.1	-0.1	3.1	2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5
Apr	2.8	2.5	3.3	3.3	-4.0	3.3	3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3
May	2.4	2.3	3.0	3.0	-3.0	3.0	3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0
Jun	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.7	-1.9	2.7	2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4
Jul	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.7	-0.8	2.7	2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7
Aug	1.9	1.8	2.5	2.5	0.5	2.5	1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8
Sep	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.2	0.2	3.2	1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5
Oct	2.4	2.4	3.5	3.5	0.4	3.5	1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2
Nov	2.2	2.1	3.3	3.3	0.5	3.3	1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5
Dec	2.3	2.0	3.0	3.0	1.1	3.0	1.8	1.4	1.3	7.0
2006	2.1	2.1	3.0	3.0	0.4	3.0	3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0
Jan	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.1	0.3	3.1	3.3	1.6	1.5	6.5
Feb	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.5	0.6	3.5	4.0	1.3	1.8	6.1
Mar	1.5	1.6	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.8	4.1	1.3	1.9	5.7
Apr	1.5	1.7	2.5	2.5	1.8	2.5	2.7	1.3	1.8	5.8
May	1.9	2.0	3.2	3.2	0.6	3.2	2.7	1.2	1.7	6.2
Jun	2.1	2.1	3.2	3.2	1.7	3.2	3.4	1.5	2.0	6.8
Jul	2.3	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	3.0	1.8	1.4	1.3	7.0
Aug	2.1	2.1	3.0	3.0	0.7	3.0	3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0
Sep	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.1	0.9	3.1	3.3	1.6	1.5	6.9
Oct	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.5	1.6	3.5	4.0	1.3	1.8	6.1
Nov	1.5	1.6	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.8	4.1	1.3	1.9	5.7
Dec	1.9	2.0	3.2	3.2	0.6	3.2	2.7	1.2	1.7	6.2
2007	2.1	2.1	3.2	3.2	1.7	3.2	3.4	1.5	2.0	6.8

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1997	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1998	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
1999	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2000	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2001	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	680.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2002	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2003	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004																						
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.4	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	721.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	712.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005																						
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Apr	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
May	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
Jun	701.45	3.5	700.73	3.3	749.42	8.0	644.07	2.9	632.07	2.1	741.85	2.8	656.81	2.4	593.60	6.2	619.92	4.4	547.65	-2.7	627.41	7.0
Jul	701.94	3.8	698.02	2.5	757.21	7.6	645.41	2.8	625.82	0.6	746.86	4.8	653.14	1.0	585.61	3.1	611.30	3.5	537.62	-1.6	613.44	7.9
Aug	708.30	4.2	702.66	2.1	762.15	7.0	647.85	3.9	633.06	2.3	753.10	5.6	660.91	1.7	595.22	4.3	609.80	2.9	546.20	-1.6	631.37	8.5
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug04	677.22		679.91		696.42		629.50		615.10		721.62		636.30		567.71		589.19		559.10		585.89	
Jan-Aug05	698.80		701.47		746.30		637.35		621.45		740.57		653.69		584.46		605.18		563.55		611.73	
% Change	3.2		3.2		7.2		1.2		1.0		2.6		2.7		3.0		2.7		0.8		4.4	

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	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1997	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1998	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1999	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2000	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2001	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2002	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2003	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004																						
2004 Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	4.4	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.54	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.85	1.5	19.44	6.4	17.13	2.6	16.98	1.9	19.81	3.7	18.10	1.7	15.26	2.3	16.06	3.4	14.28	-0.3	15.43	5.2
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.11	2.0	19.57	6.0	17.10	3.0	17.10	3.1	19.92	4.6	18.16	1.6	15.43	3.8	16.08	3.7	14.31	-1.2	15.92	7.6
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug04	18.42		18.81		18.34		16.94		16.80		19.42		17.86		15.08		15.81		15.02		15.46	
Jan-Aug05	18.95		19.26		19.50		17.11		17.05		19.91		18.31		15.48		16.15		15.26		16.00	
% Change	2.9		2.4		6.3		1.0		1.5		2.5		2.5		2.6		2.1		1.6		3.5	

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	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,092.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9	
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	64.6	1.4	207.4	1.6
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	465.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.7	199.2	1.5
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,179.7	1.0	3,589.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	586.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	582.0	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.9	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,665.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	3.5	1,751.1	1.7	476.7	2.5	573.1	1.7	6,265.3	0.9	3,631.8	1.7	333.3	0.4	425.6	1.4	63.0	4.1	197.2	-1.0
Mar	15,800.8	1.5	2,077.3	3.3	1,760.2	1.9	479.5	2.8	568.8	0.5	6,256.3	1.2	3,632.6	1.2	333.3	-0.3	428.0	1.1	63.4	3.8	201.5	0.0
Apr	15,898.9	1.4	2,090.6	4.1	1,758.9	1.4	476.2	0.9	570.1	0.1	6,312.7	1.3	3,656.6	0.3	336.2	1.0	434.3	1.3	63.2	3.8	200.0	-0.8
May	16,289.7	1.6	2,140.8	4.5	1,801.8	1.9	494.2	1.7	586.9	0.8	6,459.9	1.8	3,707.7	-0.3	359.0	1.7	454.4	1.6	70.4	2.3	214.8	-1.8
Jun	16,499.3	1.2	2,159.0	2.5	1,816.6	1.4	497.7	1.2	586.7	0.4	6,508.0	1.4	3,801.6	0.8	363.5	-0.9	457.7	-0.3	73.3	2.4	233.1	-0.2
Jul	16,528.7	1.1	2,160.1	2.7	1,817.2	2.1	496.8	1.4	588.6	1.7	6,486.3	0.8	3,837.0	0.9	368.1	-0.5	458.3	-1.0	73.9	2.1	242.5	-1.3
Aug	16,507.3	1.5	2,165.9	3.5	1,811.9	1.1	492.2	0.5	587.0	0.9	6,510.0	1.4	3,810.2	1.3	367.6	-1.0	462.0	1.1	73.8	1.1	226.8	-1.9
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug04	15,900.7		2,047.5		1,753.0		478.1		573.8		6,302.8		3,674.7		348.9		439.6		66.1		216.3	
Jan-Aug05	16,125.6		2,114.3		1,782.7		485.9		578.9		6,377.8		3,711.1		349.2		443.4		68.0		214.5	
% Change	1.4		3.3		1.7		1.6		0.9		1.2		1.0		0.1		0.9		2.8		-0.9	

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	0.3
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.2	1.2	34.4	-0.9
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.6	0.6	30.4	-1.0	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.2	3.3	32.2	0.9
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	33.3		32.4		35.0		33.9		33.6		33.7		32.2		33.8		31.9		32.8		33.2	
Jan-Aug04	33.6		33.1		35.5		34.5		33.7		33.8		32.6		34.3		33.3		34.0		34.2	
% Change	1.1		2.4		1.5		1.8		0.6		0.3		1.2		1.5		4.6		3.7		2.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries	Goods Industries		Service Industries
	\$	% Chg		\$	% Chg		('000)	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg	
1995												
1996												
1997												
1998	732.23		576.18	18.50			377.6		1,194.9			
1999	754.02		580.58	18.99			372.0	-1.5	1,248.3			32.1
2000	762.54		591.72	19.19			419.0	12.6	1,435.0			31.5
2001	764.37		606.09	19.25			409.9	-2.2	1,443.7			31.6
2002	781.31	2.2	615.74	19.61	1.9		395.6	-3.5	1,497.5			32.3
2003	787.72	0.8	638.71	19.91	1.5		408.4	3.2	1,521.7			31.2
2004	810.22	2.1	652.14	20.48	2.9		383.9	-6.0	1,538.2			31.2
	793.67	-2.0	659.20	19.94	-2.6		392.3	2.2	1,567.9			31.2
							411.7	4.9	1,602.5			30.8
							431.0	4.7	1,628.7			31.2
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	648.43	20.53	-1.9		401.1	5.2	1,611.0			31.7
Feb	796.61	-1.4	658.44	20.12	-1.5		399.3	2.4	1,597.7			32.3
Mar	774.34	-4.9	654.21	19.59	-4.5		400.8	-2.0	1,609.9			30.4
Apr	779.06	-4.9	650.38	19.71	-4.1		409.3	3.7	1,599.1			30.1
May	769.45	-5.4	649.46	19.42	-5.3		422.5	1.9	1,626.9			32.4
Jun	777.46	-5.6	652.09	19.22	-6.2		448.0	5.4	1,657.4			32.6
Jul	788.44	-1.7	651.81	19.57	-2.9		459.7	4.6	1,644.0			30.8
Aug	784.92	-3.5	662.15	19.48	-5.0		460.1	5.9	1,633.0			31.4
Sep	813.10	-0.4	667.77	20.30	-1.9		441.9	5.9	1,640.8			33.0
Oct	811.80	1.2	675.19	20.40	0.1		454.9	6.6	1,636.8			29.6
Nov	817.61	3.4	669.76	20.50	1.0		439.0	7.5	1,633.9			29.6
Dec	802.53	0.5	670.16	20.51	0.3		435.5	9.0	1,654.2			32.8
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	681.67	20.63	0.5		439.5	9.6	1,613.8			32.2
Feb	801.63	0.6	680.57	20.21	0.4		441.2	10.5	1,626.1			32.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	672.01	20.07	2.5		436.2	8.8	1,641.2			32.7
Apr	816.99	4.9	671.61	20.35	3.2		444.6	8.6	1,646.0			32.8
May	816.34	6.1	669.67	20.39	5.0		450.2	6.6	1,690.7			32.7
Jun	810.29	4.2	672.46	20.15	4.8		463.8	3.5	1,695.2			32.6
Jul	794.94	0.8	671.55	19.62	0.3		484.9	5.5	1,675.2			30.3
Aug	787.35	0.3	679.72	19.69	1.1		480.1	4.3	1,685.8			29.5
Average:												
Jan-Aug04	784.70		653.37	19.71			425.1		1,622.4			31.2
Jan-Aug05	805.30		674.91	20.14			455.1		1,659.3			32.0
% Change	2.6		3.3	2.2			7.0		2.3			2.3

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1997	754.02		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1998	762.54		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
1999	764.37		464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2000	781.31	2.2	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2001	787.72	0.8	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2002	810.22	2.9	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2003	793.67	-2.0										
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-1.7	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-3.5	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-0.4	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	1.2	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	3.4	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	0.5	485.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.8	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jun	810.29	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1006.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Jul	794.94	0.8	523.57	4.0	1028.71	1.8	1092.34	14.5	798.62	-0.3	755.18	0.1
Aug	787.35	0.3	508.72	-1.4	954.54	-7.0	1131.44	11.1	806.16	3.6	744.29	-3.8
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Aug04	784.70		500.14		994.72		1021.81		780.50		777.41	
Jan-Aug05	805.30		517.01		1011.56		1053.06		799.28		789.72	
% Change	2.6		3.4		1.7		3.1		2.4		1.6	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

3.2B	B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE																	
	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services					
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg		
1995																		
1996	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31			
1997	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	786.52		618.90			
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	786.52		618.90			
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78			
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74			
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5		
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1		
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3		
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4		
2004	Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	-4.3	735.56	6.4	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5	
	Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	-8.4	762.55	11.2	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5	
	Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	-1.5	791.68	3.8	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6	
	Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	-7.0	782.68	2.2	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5	
	May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	-3.5	748.27	10.8	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5	
	Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	-4.9	719.07	1.4	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3	
	Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	-3.4	708.22	-3.2	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7	
	Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	-1.6	714.84	-2.3	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1	
	Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	-0.6	695.21	-4.8	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0	
	Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	6.3	742.34	0.7	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0	
	Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	0.6	738.71	2.2	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6	
	Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	0.3	748.44	4.0	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7	
2005	Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	1.7	843.61	12.6	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3	
	Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	9.9	824.78	1.4	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8	
	Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	10.2	823.32	4.0	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0	
	Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	17.2	832.55	6.4	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6	
	May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	10.6	849.86	6.2	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7	
	Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	13.7	861.34	3.8	929.73	4.5	700.73	3.3	
	Jul	671.55	3.0	858.11	7.7	516.72	-2.4	714.14	-0.1	920.22	14.4	722.19	2.0	909.58	2.6	698.02	2.5	
	Aug	679.72	2.7	834.49	1.5	523.27	-0.3	708.77	1.3	940.65	13.7	720.09	0.7	940.92	4.6	702.66	2.1	
	Sep																	
	Oct																	
	Nov																	
	Dec																	
Average:																		
Jan-Aug04	653.37		759.86		521.26		734.00		830.92	824.43	736.00	359.96	900.51		679.91			
Jan-Aug05	674.91		833.36		518.30		723.43		925.00	847.30	726.28	383.81	939.92		701.47			
% Change	3.3		9.7		-0.6		-1.4		11.3	2.8	-1.3	6.6	4.4		3.2			

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1997	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1998	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
1999	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2000	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2001	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2002	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2003												
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun	20.15	4.8	12.00	-2.2	23.16	-0.1	27.75	15.2	20.62	6.2	19.20	0.7
Jul	19.62	0.3	12.89	9.4	23.26	-2.2	28.16	15.7	19.98	0.2	18.70	-2.6
Aug	19.69	1.1	12.03	-0.8	22.78	-1.9	29.45	18.1	20.24	3.0	18.83	-3.1
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Aug04	19.71		12.72		23.63		26.43		19.74		19.55	
Jan-Aug05	20.14		12.77		23.67		27.53		20.19		19.82	
% Change	2.2		0.4		0.2		4.2		2.3		1.4	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Social Services		Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																				
1996	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13		22.37		18.23		10.12		21.19		16.83	
1997	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60		22.07		18.52		10.42		20.93		17.06	
1998	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43		21.95		18.85		10.28		21.55		17.28	
1999	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.63		20.36		23.03		19.26		10.82		21.87		17.63	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	5.1	22.71	-1.4	20.20	4.9	10.94	1.1	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	5.2	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.1	11.10	1.5	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	-2.7	25.03	3.0	22.06	0.5	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																				
Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	-5.5	23.32	-3.6	22.45	4.3	11.64	1.7	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	-9.8	24.71	4.5	22.66	5.8	11.47	0.8	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	-5.7	24.17	0.8	22.27	5.0	11.50	-3.6	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	-7.9	23.95	-1.9	22.04	2.2	11.48	0.6	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	-1.5	24.52	0.9	22.19	3.8	11.54	3.6	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	-4.6	25.08	1.0	21.43	-1.3	11.72	6.8	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.16	-3.4	25.29	-0.6	21.46	-3.7	11.61	3.5	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	0.2	26.55	8.5	21.69	-4.1	11.62	5.0	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	-0.5	25.73	2.6	21.55	-5.2	11.74	6.7	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	3.0	25.83	6.2	22.06	-2.2	11.62	5.5	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	1.0	26.07	9.1	22.40	0.7	11.60	2.5	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	0.4	25.67	9.8	22.66	1.2	11.26	-2.2	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																				
Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	2.1	25.16	7.9	22.35	-0.4	11.80	1.4	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	10.4	25.06	1.4	22.44	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	11.0	24.25	0.3	21.81	-2.1	11.78	2.4	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	12.7	25.00	4.4	21.54	-2.3	11.74	2.3	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	7.5	25.68	4.7	21.27	-4.1	11.81	2.3	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Jun	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	11.8	25.45	1.5	21.56	0.6	11.84	1.0	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8
Jul	18.65	1.8	21.48	9.1	14.62	-1.9	19.04	-1.9	23.53	11.1	24.52	-3.0	21.33	-0.6	11.90	2.5	24.69	2.3	18.85	1.5
Aug	18.95	2.3	21.11	6.2	14.82	0.8	19.02	-1.4	24.47	11.5	26.34	-0.8	21.90	1.0	12.00	3.3	25.47	4.3	19.11	2.0
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Aug04	18.58		19.41		14.93		20.00		21.97		24.70		22.02		11.57		24.50		18.81	
Jan-Aug05	19.04		21.08		14.98		19.63		24.10		25.18		21.78		11.65		25.59		19.26	
% Change	2.4		8.6		-0.4		-1.8		9.7		2.0		-1.1		2.4		4.4		2.4	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (Incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	Construction	('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		180.9		22.2	43.7	24.2	126.1		
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	118.5	-6.0	
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.9	23.3	124.9	5.4	
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	118.4	-5.2	
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	113.8	-3.9	
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	111.3	-2.2	
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	110.8	-0.4	
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	117.4	6.0	
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	117.4	0.0	
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	141.7	20.7	
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	47.2	10.5	122.5	15.0	
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	47.7	10.9	118.5	9.0	
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	54.0	9.4	123.1	8.1	
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	49.6	10.3	127.5	22.0	
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	46.9	14.2	131.7	16.9	
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	45.9	14.5	148.0	21.4	
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	49.6	13.4	152.4	19.2	
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	218.0	1.2	28.8	44.9	11.8	154.0	21.8	
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	44.3	11.3	151.7	26.7	
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	42.3	12.7	161.5	28.7	
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	42.2	11.2	155.6	28.4	
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	43.3	13.2	153.3	28.1	
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	39.2	12.5	159.7	30.4	
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	42.7	12.5	159.7	34.8	
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	43.6	12.9	158.5	28.6	
Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	41.2	13.8	165.2	29.6	
May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	42.5	13.7	161.8	22.9	
Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	89.0	12.9	27.7	193.0	-7.9	29.9	45.8	11.0	170.4	15.1	
Jul	484.9	5.5	50.1	17.1	23.5	-13.6	2.1	-16.0	14.3	45.9	206.1	-4.6	35.7	50.3	12.3	175.8	15.4	
Aug	480.1	4.3	45.8	6.5	24.1	5.2	1.7	-52.8	14.6	39.0	201.1	-6.9	30.6	50.1	12.8	181.1	17.6	
Average:	425.1		37.5		21.6		3.3		10.0		208.5		30.4	48.2	11.9	134.7		
Jan-Aug04	455.1		41.6		22.6		1.7		13.4		197.9		35.0	44.4	12.7	166.5		
% Change	7.0		11.0		4.7		-49.6		34.3		-5.1		14.9	-7.9	6.8	23.6		

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service			Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod. Food & Bev.	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8	100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	766.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	162.4	86.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,557.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	210.5	180.2	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	205.2	181.5	105.5	7.5	2,140.8	4.5
Jun	1,695.2	2.3	118.4	-4.7	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	204.9	179.9	99.4	-0.3	2,159.0	2.5
Jul	1,675.2	1.9	130.1	3.7	322.2	-1.4	139.3	8.9	988.7	2.5	130.6	208.6	190.5	95.0	-4.3	2,160.1	2.7
Aug	1,685.8	3.2	126.2	5.2	334.8	5.9	137.9	-0.4	986.4	3.1	127.3	215.5	183.4	100.4	-1.7	2,165.9	3.5
Average:																	
Jan-Aug04	1,622.4		118.5		322.1		130.3		953.7		133.0	218.6	173.7	97.9		2,047.5	
Jan-Aug05	1,659.3		118.1		322.7		137.6		983.9		144.9	211.2	176.4	97.0		2,114.3	
% Change	2.3		-0.3		0.2		5.6		3.2		8.9	-3.4	1.6	-1.0		3.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	36.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	36.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.5	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.5	13.1	43.4	6.6	35.2	10.0	35.4	-1.1	36.1	-4.0
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.2	-1.2	32.3	2.5	35.0	0.6	35.2	-1.9
Average:	36.6		36.2		39.0		32.1		36.2		36.9	
Jan-Aug04	37.4		37.6		40.7		36.8		37.2		36.7	
% Change	2.1		3.9		4.4		14.6		2.7		-0.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

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3.5B	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries			
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Social Services						Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg		
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	-1.7	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004	Jan	31.7	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
	Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	2.1	
	Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	
	Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	
	May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	
	Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	
	Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	
	Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	
	Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	
	Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	
	Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	
	Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	
2005	Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	
	Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	
	Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	
	Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	26.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	
	May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	
	Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.4	34.0	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.7	32.7	-2.1	
	Jul	30.3	-1.6	37.5	-1.1	30.5	-4.1	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.0	29.4	5.4	31.0	2.3	32.0	1.3	
	Aug	29.5	-0.3	35.0	-3.3	30.2	-2.9	31.7	3.6	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	2.2	30.5	5.2	29.0	-8.2	
	Sep																			
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Average:																				
Jan-Aug04	31.2		36.9		31.4		32.6		35.7		24.9		29.1		28.8		32.7		32.4	
Jan-Aug05	32.0		37.1		31.2		33.6		35.5		27.9		30.4		29.8		33.1		33.1	
% Change	2.3		0.5		-0.6		3.0		-0.5		12.2		4.4		3.5		1.3		2.4	

B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

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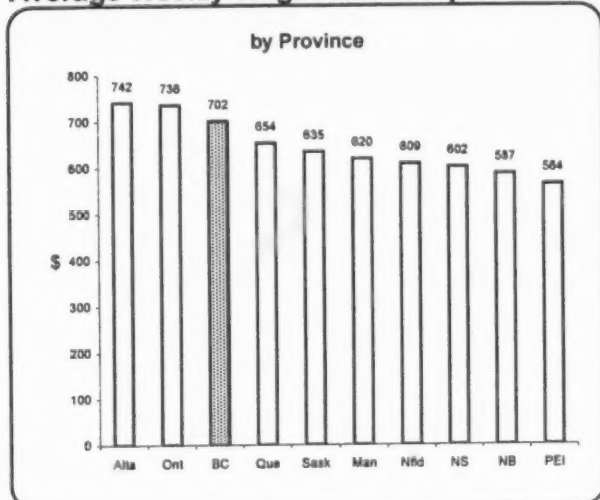
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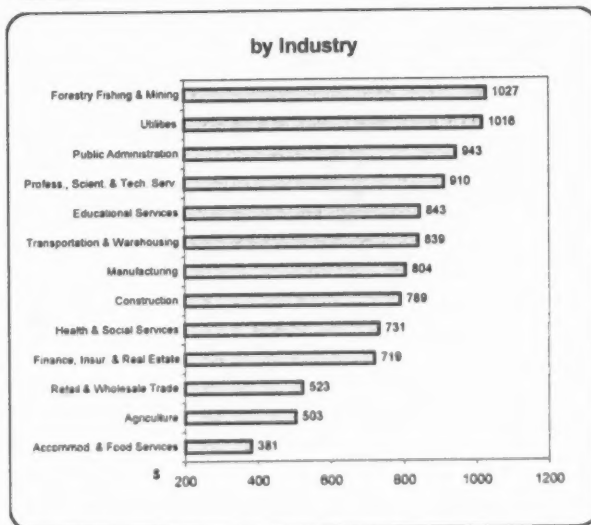
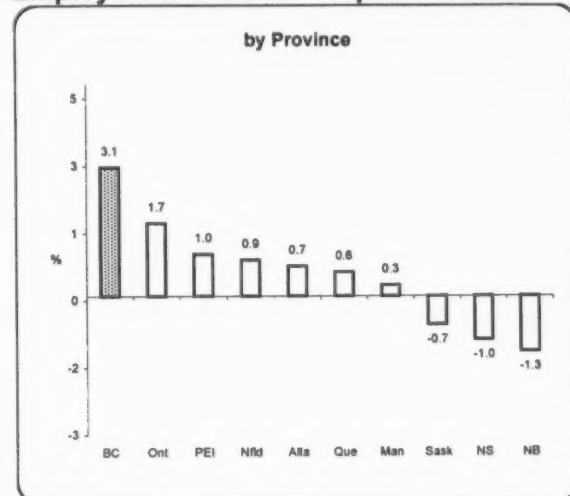


Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ September 2005

Average Weekly Wage Rate* - September 2005



Employment Growth* - September 2005



* Latest 12 month average



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Feature Article: Aboriginal Peoples in BC: Improving Their Labour Market Opportunities

Aboriginal Peoples in BC

Improving their Labour Market Opportunities

Introduction

Improving the economic and social conditions of Aboriginal people is currently a major priority for both the federal and BC governments. To this end, both levels of government have committed to improve the level of education attainment among the First Nations', Metis and Inuit populations in their respective jurisdictions. The policy tools to achieve this goal have not yet been fully spelled out.

In the field of education policy, there are very different strategies required to improve the education level of school-aged children than for adults. For the young, the thrust is to get them through the academic requirements for a high school diploma. The administrative data from the public elementary and high school (K-12) system indicate that many Aboriginal youth continue to drop out of high school at a very young age. The Ministry of Education's most recent report¹ shows that while conditions are improving, the process is very slow and there remains a long way to go. Fifty-four per cent of Aboriginal students who were enrolled in Grade 8 in 1997 had not graduated from high school six years later, compared with only 18 per cent of the same cohort of non-Aboriginal students.

Policies must address this wide gap in high school graduation rates but it is a very daunting task when many Aboriginal children are at high risk of suffering from physical, learning, and mental problems,

often stemming from conditions of poverty and hopelessness in their home environment. The Ministry of Education data show that the rate of Aboriginal students in the K-12 system who require special education due to learning disabilities is twice that of non-Aboriginal students and due to behaviour and mental disabilities is four times the rate of non-Aboriginal students.

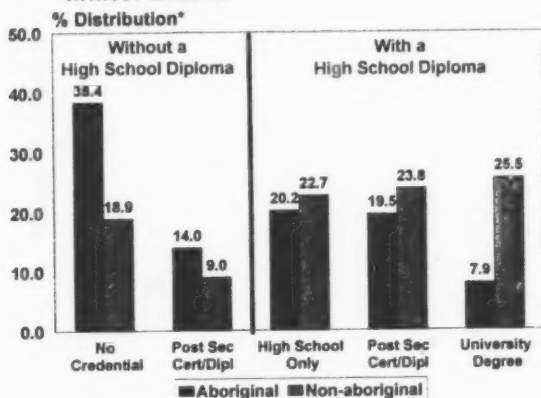
Some of the policy tools available to address the problems of children are pre-natal care to ensure babies are born healthy, early childhood education programs to provide a learning environment in the pre-school years and increased Aboriginal content in the K-12 curriculum, all of which have been used to varying degrees in BC. However, these policies on their own will take a very long time to realize significant results if the parents and other adults in the children's home environment are not in a position to provide encouraging role models. Policy makers are faced with the age-old dilemma of how to halt the vicious inter-generational cycle of poverty and social malaise in Aboriginal communities.

With this in mind, this article addresses the education and labour market barriers faced by the Aboriginal adult population age 25 to 54, the group who provide the role models for the K-12 generation. It documents the current state of their education attainment and explores where there is potential in our current system to allow them to improve their levels of education and hence their earning capacity. Equal access to education and job training for Aboriginal adults is the first crucial step to equal access to the job market.

¹ Aboriginal Report – How Are We Doing? 2003/04
<http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/abed/perf2004.pdf>

Aboriginal adult's current education attainment

- 52 per cent of Aboriginal adults never finished high school.
- Only one in four Aboriginal people finished high school and then continued on to obtain a post secondary credential. Among non-Aboriginal people, the rate is almost double.



*For the Population aged 25-64 - 2001
Data Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 Census

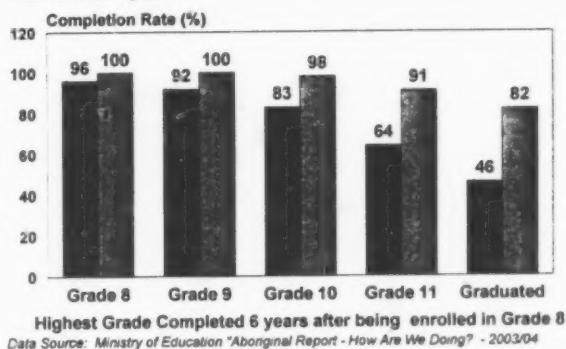
The chart above shows how a very large proportion of Aboriginal adults fall into the category of having no education credential at all (38.4%). This is the group most likely to be out of work and living in poverty regardless of their ethnic origins. Any long-term solution to the difficulties faced by Aboriginal peoples in today's society must include a strategy that will provide the opportunity for this group to attain some kind of education credential that has value in the workplace.

The preferred solution would be for Aboriginal adults with no education credential to return to school to attain their high school diploma. The Labour Force Survey confirms that the total adult population who finish high school but go no further earn on average an estimated \$27,600 per year compared to \$19,800 for

those who never obtained a credential of any kind. On top of that, a high school diploma is the gateway to a higher credential at the post secondary level with all its associated benefits. Those who finish high school and then continue on to complete their post secondary education, earn a further \$6,400 per year for a total of \$34,000 per year over a working life. This represents more than \$1,000 extra per month than the earnings of those who have no credential at all.

However, the reality is that for many Aboriginal adults, obtaining a high school diploma, let alone a high school diploma plus a college credential, may not be a practical option. Administrative data from the K-12 system show that Aboriginal youth start dropping out of school by Grade 9 and only 6 out of 10 make it to grade 12, compared to 9 out of 10 non-Aboriginal students.

Among Aboriginal youth enrolled in Grade 8 in 1997, 17% never finished Grade 10 and 46% never finished Grade 11. This suggests that in order to complete high school, 17% of Aboriginal adults would have at least 3 years of further schooling to undertake and 46% would have at least 2 years.

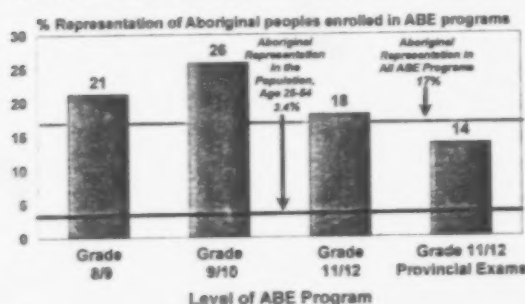


Given their relatively high dropout rate in the early years of high school, it is fairly safe to assume that many Aboriginal adults would require more than just one year of full-time schooling to complete their high school diploma. Furthermore, the skills

they learned in high school many years previously would likely be rusty or obsolete, requiring them to re-learn basic skills in order to take even grade 10 courses. The bottom line is that adults who dropped out of school without having completed their grade 11 are faced with substantial obstacles in order to acquire a high school diploma.

Despite that, Aboriginal adults are returning to school in large numbers. According to the 2001 Census, 11,000 BC Aboriginal adults between the ages of 25 and 54 attended school in the 2000/2001 school year. That represents 15 per cent of the Aboriginal population in that age group, and many of those 11,000 students would have been upgrading their K-12 level. The College and Institute Student Outcomes database shows that many Aboriginal adults are taking "Adult Basic Education" (ABE) courses at the colleges. ABE provides adults with the opportunity to upgrade their K-12 education levels, starting at the Grade 8/9 level right up to Grade 12 graduation.

Aboriginal adults represent 17% of adult enrolments in the Adult Basic Education (ABE) programs in the College System while they only represent 3.4% of the overall provincial population, age 25-54. They are even more over-represented in the lower grade levels of ABE



Data Source: College & Institute ABE Survey Outcomes Database - 2008 BC STATS

Aboriginal adults are five times more likely to be in these ABE programs and eight times more likely to be in ABE levels lower than grade 11 than non-Aboriginal adults.

Of the 2,600 adult Aboriginal students who were enrolled in ABE programs in 2003/04, an estimated 425 (17%) had at least 3 years to go and 600 (23%) had 2 years to go just to complete high school.

Fortunately, there is another career path option available for adults who have a long way to go just to complete high school - attain a college credential in a program that does not require a high school diploma for entry.

College programs that do not require a high school diploma for entry

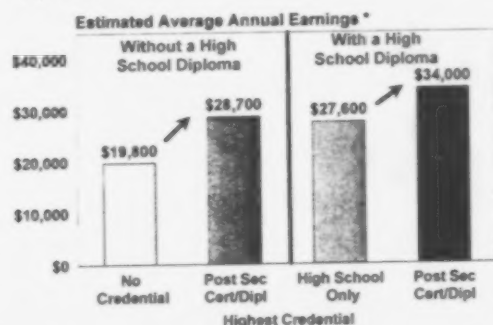
Most post secondary programs that do not require a high school diploma for admission are the shorter programs, those of one year or less. The program that graduates the highest number of students who do not have high school diploma is Home Support Workers (450 annually) which appears to require only competency in the English language plus some relevant work/volunteer experience; the second largest is the pre-employment program for Welders (300 annually). Other large programs with no requirement for a high school credential are The Entry Level Trades Training (ELTT) programs which provide foundation skills for entry to the certified trades, such as Auto Mechanics, Drafting, Electricians, etc. and occupations such as Bakers & Chefs, Hair Dressers, etc. For many of these programs, a grade 10 or grade 11 level of competency is all that is required.

The data show that persons without high school completion but with some form of post secondary credential achieve more lucrative and stable employment than they could with no credential at all. In 2004, unemployment rates for this group were

2.5 percentage points lower (7.2% vs 9.8%) and wage rates were about \$3.00 more per hour.

With the additional employment opportunities plus the higher wages, the non-high school graduate who completes a lower level college/institute program can earn an average of \$9,000 more per year over their working life.

Attaining a post secondary certificate or diploma is very worthwhile, even for those without a high school diploma.



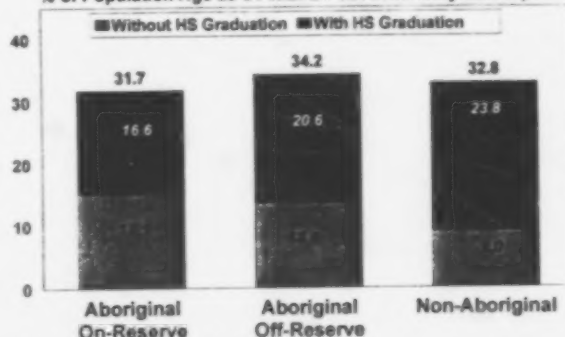
* Among the Non-Student Population, aged 25-54 - 2000-2004 5 year average.
Data Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

Aboriginal adults who take advantage of college programs that do not require high school graduation for admission

Proportionately more Aboriginal adults have graduated from a college institute program without having completed high school than non-Aboriginal adults. This is particularly true for First Nations living on reserve where 15 per cent of their population relied on this alternative route representing almost 50 per cent of their college graduates. The next chart shows that the comparable numbers for off-reserve Aboriginals is 14 per cent of their population and 40 per cent of their college graduates and for non-Aboriginal adults, 9 per cent of their population and only 27 per cent of their college graduates.

Aboriginals with a Post Secondary Certificate or Diploma, are less likely to have a high school diploma than are non-aboriginals. Among Aboriginal peoples on reserve who had a college credential, only one-half had completed high school.

% of Population Age 25-54 With a Post Secondary Cert/Dipl



Data Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 Census

The same tendency can be observed in the College and Institutes Student Outcomes database. The numbers show that Aboriginal people who have not completed high school are taking advantage of programs that do not require a high school diploma for entrance. Between 2001 and 2004, one in five Aboriginal students who graduated² from a certificate/diploma program at the college or institute level had not completed high school. That compares to one in ten of non-Aboriginal students.

Conclusion

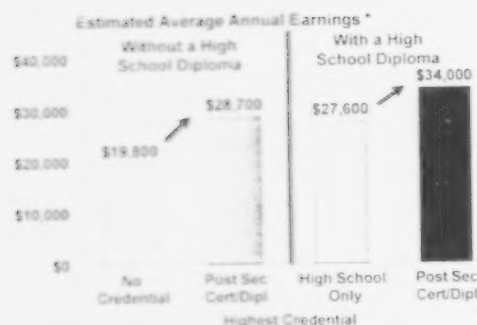
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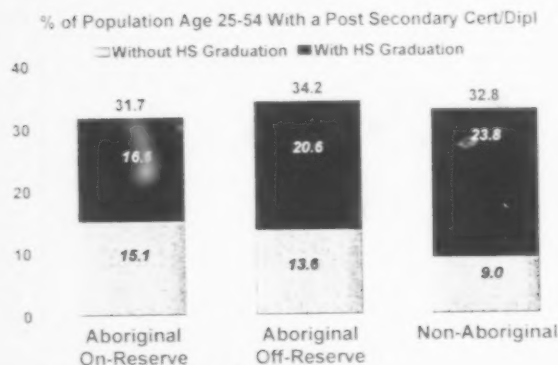
Attaining a post secondary certificate or diploma is very worthwhile, even for those without a high school diploma.



Aboriginal adults who take advantage of college programs that do not require high school graduation for admission

Proportionately more Aboriginal adults have graduated from a college institute program without having completed high school than non-Aboriginal adults. This is particularly true for First Nations living on reserve where 15 per cent of their population relied on this alternative route representing almost 50 per cent of their college graduates. The next chart shows that the comparable numbers for off-reserve Aboriginals is 14 per cent of their population and 40 per cent of their college graduates and for non-Aboriginal adults, 9 per cent of their population and only 27 per cent of their college graduates.

Aboriginals with a Post Secondary Certificate or Diploma are less likely to have a high school diploma than are non-Aboriginals. Among Aboriginal peoples on reserve who had a college credential, only one-half had completed high school.



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complete high school and/or attain some form of post secondary credential. Because so many have fallen behind in skill development that match today's job market, to accomplish this will require substantial resources to enable the adults to upgrade their K-12 levels to a point where they will be able to participate in post secondary training.

Major public funding will be necessary to achieve this end. The federal government, through Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) has provided financial support for First Nations students who need to upgrade their academic level in order to be accepted into a certificate or diploma program. This falls under the "University and College Entrance Preparation" (UCEP) program. However, within the last year there have been indications that INAC plans to limit an individual's transition funding to only one year. As was shown in the chart on the current enrolments in ABE programs, to limit the funding for Aboriginal adults' K-12 upgrading to only one year would create an insurmountable barrier for so many who are faced with 2 to 3 years of schooling in order to complete grade 12, or even for those who require 2 years of upgrading in order to be accepted into a college program that requires grade 10 or grade 11 completion.

The costs of such a program pale when one considers the economic and social benefits that would be returned over the life of these individuals and their children if they were able to find steady work. While there are no data readily available on how these groups of Aboriginal adults fare in terms of wages, the Labour Force Survey (Statistics Canada) shows that in the first 9 months of 2005, Aboriginal adults living off reserve

who had either completed high school or who had completed a college credential without having high school were employed at a rate of 65 per cent compared to only 47 per cent of those who had no credential at all. That 18 percentage point differential between having a job and not having a job would represent huge tax revenues and reduced welfare costs to BC tax payers in the long term.

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC		U.S.A.	Current Dollars		Constant Dollars		Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.	Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.
	% Change	Canada		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	% Change	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	%
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3		2.4	1.7	1.5	8.5	9.6	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3		1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5		2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9		0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2		2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4			3.9		1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8			2.7	-0.2	-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	1.5	3.2	2.6	0.7	2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.6	2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	1.6	-2.0	3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4	7.3	5.7
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	2.2	-0.9	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8	7.3	5.6
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	0.9	-1.4	1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	2.4	-2.2	1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5	7.2	5.5
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	3.6	-3.9	2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5	7.1	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	0.5	-4.0	3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3	7.2	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	2.6	-3.0	3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0	7.1	5.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	3.2	-1.9	2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4	7.1	5.4
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	2.0	-0.8	2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7	7.0	5.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	2.9	0.5	1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8	7.1	5.5
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.9	0.2	1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5	7.2	5.4
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	3.2	0.5	1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2	7.0	5.4
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	1.5	0.7	3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	0.9	3.3	1.6	1.5	6.5	6.9	5.2
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	1.6	4.0	1.3	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.2
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	4.1	1.3	1.9	5.7	6.8	5.1
Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.3	3.5	2.9	1.8	2.7	1.3	1.8	5.8	6.7	5.0
Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.5	3.8	2.6	0.6	2.7	1.2	1.7	6.2	6.8	5.0
Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.1	4.2	1.7	0.0	3.4	1.5	2.0	5.8	6.8	4.9
Sep	2.1	2.6	3.6	1.6	4.2	3.3		3.1	1.2	2.1	5.7	6.7	5.1

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1997	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		495.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1998	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		500.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
1999	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
2000	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	4.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.05	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2001	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	5.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2002	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2003	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004																						
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	628.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	588.75	-2.0
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.86	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	598.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005																						
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	700.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.81	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Apr	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
May	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
Jun	701.45	3.5	700.73	3.3	749.42	8.0	644.07	2.9	632.07	2.1	741.85	2.8	656.81	2.4	593.60	6.2	619.92	4.4	547.65	-2.7	627.41	7.0
Jul	701.94	3.8	698.02	2.5	757.21	7.6	645.41	2.8	625.82	0.6	746.86	4.8	653.14	1.0	585.61	3.1	611.30	3.5	537.62	-1.6	613.44	7.9
Aug	708.30	4.2	702.66	2.1	762.15	7.0	647.85	3.9	633.06	2.3	753.10	5.6	660.91	1.7	595.22	4.3	609.80	2.9	546.20	-1.6	631.37	8.5
Sep	713.23	4.2	709.12	1.6	775.13	8.8	655.92	5.4	640.49	4.9	757.08	4.9	661.26	1.6	609.04	5.4	615.79	3.6	549.82	-2.1	632.33	6.7
Oct																						
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Average:																						
Jan-Sep04	678.02		681.90		698.22		628.74		614.63		721.60		637.95		588.81		589.79		559.37		586.64	
Jan-Sep05	700.40		702.32		749.50		639.41		623.56		742.41		654.53		587.19		606.36		562.02		614.02	
% Change	3.3		3.0		7.3		1.7		1.5		2.9		2.6		3.2		2.8		0.5		4.7	

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1995	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1996	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1997	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1998	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
1999	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2000	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2001	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2002	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2003																						
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Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.59	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2006																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.54	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.85	1.5	19.44	6.4	17.13	2.6	16.98	1.9	19.81	3.7	18.10	1.7	15.26	2.3	16.06	3.4	14.28	-0.3	15.43	5.2
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.11	2.0	19.57	6.0	17.10	3.0	17.10	3.1	19.92	4.6	18.16	1.6	15.43	3.8	16.08	3.7	14.31	-1.2	15.92	7.6
Sep	18.29	3.8	19.50	1.6	20.07	6.8	17.54	3.7	17.40	4.1	20.34	4.6	18.48	1.7	15.90	4.7	16.46	3.5	14.63	-1.4	16.48	7.7
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	18.44		18.85		18.39		16.94		16.79		19.42		17.90		15.09		15.82		15.00		15.44	
Jan-Sep04	18.98		19.29		19.57		17.15		17.09		19.96		18.33		15.52		16.18		15.19		16.05	
% Change	3.0		2.3		6.4		1.3		1.8		2.7		2.4		2.8		2.3		1.3		4.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,082.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9	
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	64.6	1.4	207.4	1.6
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	465.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.2	199.2	1.5
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,179.7	1.0	3,589.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	586.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	580.4	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.9	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,685.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	3.5	1,751.1	1.7	476.7	2.5	573.1	1.7	6,265.3	0.9	3,631.8	1.7	333.3	0.4	425.6	1.4	63.0	4.1	197.2	-1.0
Mar	15,800.8	1.5	2,077.3	3.3	1,760.2	1.9	479.5	2.8	568.8	0.5	6,256.3	1.2	3,632.6	1.2	333.3	-0.3	428.0	1.1	63.4	3.8	201.5	0.0
Apr	15,898.9	1.4	2,090.6	4.1	1,758.9	1.4	476.2	0.9	570.1	0.1	6,312.7	1.3	3,656.6	0.3	336.2	1.0	434.3	1.3	63.2	3.8	200.0	-0.8
May	16,289.7	1.6	2,140.8	4.5	1,801.8	1.9	494.2	1.7	586.9	0.8	6,459.9	1.8	3,707.7	-0.3	359.0	1.7	454.4	1.6	70.4	2.3	214.8	-1.8
Jun	16,499.3	1.2	2,159.0	2.5	1,816.6	1.4	497.7	1.2	588.7	0.4	6,508.0	1.4	3,801.6	0.8	363.5	-0.9	457.7	-0.3	73.3	2.4	233.1	-0.2
Jul	16,528.7	1.1	2,160.1	2.7	1,817.2	2.1	496.8	1.4	588.6	1.7	6,486.3	0.8	3,837.0	0.9	368.1	-0.5	458.3	-1.0	73.9	2.1	242.5	-1.3
Aug	16,507.3	1.5	2,165.9	3.5	1,811.9	1.1	492.2	0.5	587.0	0.9	6,510.0	1.4	3,810.2	1.3	367.6	-1.0	462.0	1.1	73.8	1.1	226.8	-1.9
Sep	16,266.1	1.2	2,146.8	3.1	1,788.4	0.7	479.7	-0.7	581.9	0.3	6,417.5	1.7	3,757.0	0.6	357.2	-1.3	444.6	-1.0	70.8	1.0	222.2	0.9
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	15,919.1		2,051.4		1,755.5		478.6		574.5		6,303.3		3,681.5		350.3		440.6		66.5		216.8	
Jan-Sep04	16,141.2		2,117.9		1,783.3		485.2		579.2		6,382.2		3,716.2		350.1		443.6		68.3		215.3	
% Change	1.4		3.2		1.6		1.4		0.8		1.3		0.9		-0.1		0.7		2.6		-0.7	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	32.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	32.9	-1.5	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.1	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.2	1.2	34.4	-0.9
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.6	0.6	30.4	-1.0	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.2	3.3	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.6	2.6	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Sep04	33.4		32.5		35.1		34.1		33.7		33.9		32.4		34.0		32.2		33.1		33.5	
Jan-Sep05	33.8		33.2		35.6		34.7		33.9		33.9		32.7		34.5		33.4		34.2		34.4	
% Change	0.9		1.9		1.4		1.9		0.8		0.2		1.0		1.6		3.8		3.3		2.7	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries		% Chg	Service Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg	Goods Industries		% Chg
	\$			\$			(\$'000)			Hrs		
1995												
1996												
1997												
1998	732.23	576.18		18.50	16.37		377.6	-1.5	4.5	36.3	32.1	
1999	754.02	580.58		18.99	16.54		372.0	12.6	15.0	36.0	31.5	
2000	762.54	591.72		19.19	16.78		409.9	-2.2	0.6	36.2	31.6	
2001	764.37	608.09		19.25	17.20		395.6	-3.5	3.7	36.9	32.3	
2002	781.31	615.74	1.6	19.61	17.58	2.2	408.4	3.2	1.6	36.3	31.2	-3.4
2003	787.72	638.71	3.7	19.91	18.27	3.9	383.9	-6.0	1.1	35.8	31.0	-0.6
2004	810.22	652.14	2.1	20.48	18.66	2.1	392.3	2.2	1.9	35.6	30.8	-0.6
	793.67	659.20	1.1	19.94	18.74	0.4	411.7	4.9	2.2	36.3	31.2	1.3
2004												
Jan	807.32	648.43	-0.1	20.53	18.70	-0.4	401.1	5.2	3.4	35.3	31.7	1.6
Feb	796.61	658.44	1.0	20.12	18.92	0.3	399.3	2.4	1.6	37.4	32.3	2.5
Mar	774.34	654.21	0.8	19.59	18.59	-0.6	400.8	-2.0	1.8	36.0	30.4	-3.8
Apr	779.06	650.38	0.7	19.71	18.56	-0.4	409.3	3.7	0.6	35.2	30.1	6.7
May	769.45	649.46	-0.2	19.42	18.53	-0.3	422.5	1.9	2.4	37.4	32.4	0.9
Jun	777.46	652.09	0.2	19.22	18.50	0.0	448.0	5.4	3.0	38.6	32.6	0.0
Jul	788.44	651.81	-0.3	19.57	18.32	-0.8	459.7	4.6	2.6	36.8	2.9	1.3
Aug	784.92	662.15	1.2	19.48	18.53	0.7	460.1	5.9	1.4	36.1	1.7	1.4
Sep	813.10	667.77	1.4	20.30	18.90	0.1	441.9	5.9	1.9	38.4	1.9	2.5
Oct	811.80	675.19	3.3	20.40	19.06	1.5	454.9	6.6	0.7	33.4	3.1	1.0
Nov	817.61	669.76	2.0	20.50	19.13	2.2	439.0	7.5	0.5	34.1	8.3	1.7
Dec	802.53	670.16	3.0	20.51	19.14	2.5	435.5	9.0	-0.1	37.3	5.1	1.9
2005												
Jan	813.57	681.67	5.1	20.63	19.34	3.4	439.5	9.6	0.2	35.4	0.3	1.6
Feb	801.63	680.57	3.4	20.21	19.33	2.2	441.2	10.5	1.8	37.8	1.1	1.5
Mar	801.30	672.01	2.7	20.07	19.02	2.3	436.2	8.8	1.9	38.1	5.8	7.6
Apr	816.99	711.61	3.3	20.35	19.07	2.7	444.6	8.6	2.9	38.7	9.9	9.0
May	816.34	669.67	3.1	20.39	18.98	2.4	450.2	6.6	3.9	38.1	1.9	0.9
Jun	810.29	672.46	3.1	20.15	18.93	2.3	463.8	3.5	2.3	38.1	-1.3	0.0
Jul	794.94	671.55	3.0	19.62	18.65	1.8	484.9	5.5	1.9	36.8	0.0	-1.6
Aug	787.35	679.72	2.7	19.69	18.96	2.3	480.1	4.3	3.2	35.9	-0.6	-0.3
Sep	805.34	685.39	2.6	20.08	19.36	2.4	453.2	2.6	3.2	38.2	-0.5	-2.1
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep04	787.86	654.97		19.77	18.62		427.0			36.8	31.4	
Jan-Sep05	805.31	676.07		20.13	19.07		454.9			37.5	32.0	
% Change	2.2	3.2		1.8	2.4		6.5			1.8	1.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1997	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1998	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
1999	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2000	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2001	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2002	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2003												
2004												
2004 Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
2005 Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jun	810.29	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1006.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Jul	794.94	0.8	523.57	4.0	1028.71	1.8	1092.34	14.5	798.62	-0.3	755.18	0.1
Aug	787.35	0.3	508.72	-1.4	954.54	-7.0	1131.44	11.1	806.16	3.6	744.29	-3.8
Sep	805.34	-1.0	475.98	0.8	1055.60	-1.6	1107.87	0.8	803.63	-0.5	763.18	-5.3
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep04	787.86		497.04		1003.42		1030.34		783.52		780.58	
Jan-Sep05	805.31		512.45		1016.46		1059.15		799.76		786.77	
% Change	2.2		3.1		1.3		2.8		2.1		0.8	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31	
1997	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	766.52		618.90	
1998	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	749.40	735.56	360.72	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	813.34	762.55	336.23	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	791.68	749.85	354.70	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	782.68	749.60	356.77	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	800.25	748.27	365.48	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	830.02	719.07	372.22	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	892.73	708.22	366.15	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	935.34	714.84	367.38	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	858.90	695.21	366.15	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	837.18	742.34	363.39	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	822.13	738.71	378.44	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	841.46	748.44	360.60	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	843.61	749.70	387.10	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	824.78	746.66	390.46	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	823.32	719.44	367.46	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	832.55	722.18	366.89	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	849.86	712.60	373.82	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7
Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	861.34	717.39	385.17	929.73	4.5	700.73	3.3
Jul	671.55	3.0	858.11	7.7	516.72	-2.4	714.14	-0.1	920.22	829.97	722.19	396.51	909.58	2.6	698.02	2.5
Aug	679.72	2.7	834.49	1.5	523.27	-0.3	708.77	1.3	940.65	912.96	720.09	403.03	940.92	4.6	702.66	2.1
Sep	685.39	2.6	851.11	1.3	544.32	3.4	732.20	6.2	946.96	841.96	727.04	400.47	974.49	6.1	709.12	1.6
Oct																
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Sep04	654.97		768.83		521.82		729.02		834.41	828.26	731.46	360.64	902.48		681.90	
Jan-Sep05	676.07		835.33		521.19		724.40		927.44	846.71	726.37	385.66	943.76		702.32	
% Change	3.2		8.7		-0.1		-0.6		11.1	2.2	-0.7	6.9	4.6		3.0	

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	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1997	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.60		18.60	
1998	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1999	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
2000	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004												
2004 Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
2005 Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun	20.15	4.8	12.00	-2.2	23.16	-0.1	27.75	15.2	20.62	6.2	19.20	0.7
Jul	19.62	0.3	12.89	9.4	23.26	-2.2	28.16	15.7	19.98	0.2	18.70	-2.6
Aug	19.69	1.1	12.03	-0.8	22.78	-1.9	29.45	18.1	20.24	3.0	18.83	-3.1
Sep	20.08	-1.1	12.35	-1.0	24.38	0.1	28.49	9.3	20.22	-1.6	19.07	-4.7
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep04	19.77		12.69		23.71		26.38		19.83		19.60	
Jan-Sep05	20.13		12.72		23.75		27.63		20.19		19.74	
% Change	1.8		0.2		0.2		4.7		1.8		0.7	

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	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13	22.37	18.23	10.12	21.19		16.83	
1998	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60	22.07	18.52	10.42	20.93		17.08	
1999	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43	21.95	18.85	10.28	21.55		17.28	
2000	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36	23.03	19.26	10.82	21.87		17.63	
2001	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	22.71	20.20	10.94	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2002	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	23.66	21.03	11.10	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2003	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	24.29	21.96	11.28	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2004	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	25.03	22.06	11.57	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004 Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	23.32	22.45	11.64	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	24.71	22.66	11.47	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	24.17	22.27	11.50	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	23.95	22.04	11.48	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	24.52	22.19	11.54	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	25.08	21.43	11.72	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	25.29	21.46	11.61	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	26.55	21.69	11.62	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	25.73	21.55	11.74	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	26.83	22.06	11.62	25.95	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	26.07	22.40	11.60	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	25.67	22.66	11.28	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005 Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	25.16	22.35	11.80	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	25.06	22.44	11.93	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	24.25	21.81	11.78	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	25.00	21.54	11.74	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	25.68	21.27	11.81	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Jun	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	25.45	21.56	11.84	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8
Jul	18.65	1.8	21.48	9.1	14.62	-1.9	19.04	-1.9	23.53	24.52	21.33	11.90	24.69	2.3	18.85	1.5
Aug	18.96	2.3	21.11	6.2	14.82	0.8	19.02	-1.4	24.47	26.34	21.90	12.00	25.47	4.3	19.11	2.0
Sep	19.36	2.4	21.36	3.1	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.5	24.73	25.31	21.98	12.42	26.59	5.3	19.50	1.6
Oct																
Nov																
Dec																
Average:	18.62		19.55		14.92		19.90		21.99	24.81	21.97	11.59	24.58		18.85	
Jan-Sep04	19.07		21.11		14.92		19.67		24.17	25.20	21.80	11.91	25.70		19.29	
% Change	2.4		7.9		0.1		-1.2		9.9	1.5	-0.8	2.8	4.5		2.3	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)																				
	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	% Chg	Wood	% Chg	Paper and Allied	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2		43.7		24.2		126.1	
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	7.7	43.2	-1.1	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	6.3	44.9	3.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	1.2	43.6	-2.9	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	-15.6	42.5	-2.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	8.3	45.9	8.0	17.8	-20.2	111.3	-2.2
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	8.9	48.8	6.3	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.2	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	16.3	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	-1.3	46.5	-5.1	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	49.3	47.2	3.7	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	14.5	47.7	-4.8	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	18.0	54.0	5.1	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	0.7	49.6	-1.4	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	-6.6	46.9	-12.2	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	0.0	45.9	-11.4	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
Jul	459.7	4.6	43.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	-22.7	49.6	-1.2	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	-19.8	44.9	-3.4	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	-18.0	44.3	0.9	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	-10.6	42.3	-12.8	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	3.2	42.2	-15.9	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	-5.7	43.3	-6.9	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	-7.3	39.2	-16.9	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	24.8	42.7	-10.5	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	26.8	43.6	-19.3	12.9	37.2	158.5	28.8
Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	15.1	41.2	-16.9	13.8	34.0	165.2	29.6
May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	23.2	42.5	-9.4	13.7	-3.5	161.8	22.9
Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	69.0	12.9	27.7	193.0	-7.9	29.9	-1.3	45.8	-0.2	11.0	-24.1	170.4	15.1
Jul	484.9	5.5	50.1	17.1	23.5	-13.6	2.1	-16.0	14.3	45.9	206.1	-4.6	35.7	45.7	50.3	1.4	12.3	-8.2	175.8	15.4
Aug	480.1	4.3	45.8	6.5	24.1	5.2	1.7	-52.8	14.6	39.0	201.1	-6.9	30.6	6.3	50.1	11.6	12.8	8.5	181.1	17.6
Sep	453.2	2.6	37.4	3.6	21.6	-2.3	1.7	-32.0	13.6	23.6	198.9	-5.3	25.3	-5.6	47.2	6.5	9.7	-14.2	169.1	11.5
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:	427.0		37.3		21.7		3.2		10.1		208.7		30.0		47.8		11.8		136.6	
Jan-Sep04	454.9		41.1		22.5		1.7		13.4		198.0		33.9		44.7		12.4		166.8	
Jan-Sep05	6.5		10.2		3.9		-48.1		33.0		-5.1		12.9		-6.4		4.6		22.1	

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3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service			Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Food & Bev.	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8	100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	6.4	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	164.2	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	210.5	180.2	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	205.2	181.5	105.5	7.5	2,140.8	4.5
Jun	1,695.2	2.3	118.4	-4.7	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	204.9	179.9	99.4	-0.3	2,159.0	2.5
Jul	1,675.2	1.9	130.1	3.7	322.2	-1.4	139.3	8.9	988.7	2.5	130.6	208.6	190.5	95.0	-4.3	2,160.1	2.7
Aug	1,685.8	3.2	126.2	5.2	334.8	5.9	137.9	-0.4	986.4	3.1	127.3	215.5	183.4	100.4	-1.7	2,165.9	3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.2	129.8	8.8	344.1	9.2	129.5	-2.1	995.1	2.1	149.7	217.1	177.5	95.0	-4.1	2,146.8	3.1
Oct																	
Nov																	
Dec																	
Average:	1,624.4		118.5		321.3		130.5		956.1		133.6	213.5	174.1	98.0		2,051.4	
Jan-Sep04	1,663.1		119.4		325.1		136.7		985.1		145.4	211.8	176.5	96.7		2,117.9	
% Change	2.4		0.7		1.2		4.7		3.0		8.8	-3.5	1.4	-1.3		3.2	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.2	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.5	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.5	13.1	43.4	6.6	35.2	10.0	35.4	-1.1	36.1	-4.0
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.2	-1.2	32.3	2.5	35.0	0.6	35.2	-1.9
Sep	38.2	-0.5	37.2	0.5	43.6	3.8	32.3	-15.0	37.5	-1.6	38.5	0.3
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep04	36.8		36.3		39.3		32.7		36.4		37.0	
Jan-Sep05	37.5		37.5		41.0		36.3		37.2		36.9	
% Change	1.8		3.5		4.4		10.8		2.2		-0.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries			Transport. and Warehousing			Trade			Finance & Related			Profess., Scient. & Tech. Services			Education			Health and Social Services			Accommod., Food & Bev.			Public Administration			Total All Industries		
	Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg			Hrs % Chg		
	Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg		Hrs	% Chg	
1995	32.2			36.4			32.5			32.8			35.4			30.1			29.8			30.0			33.3			33.2		
1996	32.3	0.3		35.7	-1.9		33.1	1.8		33.4	1.8		36.4	2.8		29.7	-1.3		29.3	-1.7		29.5	-1.7		33.1	-0.6		33.2	0.0	
1997	32.1	-0.6		36.1	1.1		33.2	0.3		33.8	1.2		35.3	-3.0		29.3	-1.3		29.4	0.3		29.4	-0.3		33.1	0.0		33.0	-0.6	
1998	31.5	-1.9		35.6	-1.4		31.9	-3.9		33.6	-0.6		34.5	-2.3		27.8	-5.1		28.7	-2.4		30.3	3.1		32.8	-0.9		32.5	-1.5	
1999	31.6	0.3		35.2	-1.1		31.8	-0.3		33.1	-1.5		35.1	1.7		27.8	0.0		29.5	2.8		29.6	-0.7		32.9	0.3		32.5	0.0	
2000	32.3	2.2		36.9	4.8		32.1	0.9		33.9	2.4		35.5	1.1		29.6	6.5		30.6	3.7		29.6	0.7		34.2	4.0		33.3	2.5	
2001	31.2	-3.4		35.3	-4.3		31.2	-2.8		32.9	-2.9		33.8	-4.8		28.7	-3.0		28.9	-5.6		29.8	0.7		31.7	-7.3		32.2	-3.3	
2002	31.0	-0.6		34.8	-1.4		31.1	-0.3		33.3	1.2		34.0	0.6		29.0	1.0		29.1	0.7		28.0	-6.0		33.2	4.7		32.0	-0.6	
2003	30.8	-0.6		35.8	2.9		30.8	-1.0		32.2	-3.3		34.2	0.6		28.1	-3.1		28.0	-3.8		29.0	3.6		32.2	-3.0		31.8	-0.6	
2004	31.2	1.3		36.4	1.7		31.1	1.0		32.2	0.0		35.3	3.2		26.8	-4.6		29.1	3.9		29.3	1.0		32.3	0.3		32.3	1.6	
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6		35.4	2.0		31.0	0.6		32.9	-6.3		36.4	6.4		32.6	6.5		30.2	6.0		28.0	4.9		33.5	-5.9		32.4	0.3	
Feb	32.3	2.5		36.0	2.6		31.1	0.6		33.6	-2.9		38.9	8.4		32.1	5.9		30.3	5.2		28.2	1.1		35.4	0.9		33.4	2.1	
Mar	30.4	-3.8		36.7	-1.6		31.5	2.9		32.6	-4.4		36.9	3.9		14.6	-47.5		28.8	0.0		28.3	-4.7		33.2	-2.9		31.5	-4.0	
Apr	30.1	6.7		35.6	11.6		30.5	5.9		30.6	8.5		33.2	7.8		27.6	7.0		27.7	6.1		27.8	-2.1		28.3	-5.0		31.1	7.6	
May	32.4	0.9		37.7	-1.3		31.5	1.0		34.3	0.6		37.0	2.2		30.4	-3.8		31.2	11.8		28.9	-4.3		34.5	-1.7		33.4	0.6	
Jun	32.6	0.0		39.5	11.9		32.7	2.5		33.1	-1.2		35.8	1.7		30.3	-6.2		29.9	-1.0		30.0	-4.5		33.4	-6.2		33.9	0.9	
Jul	30.8	1.3		37.9	1.9		31.8	1.9		33.1	4.1		34.5	-1.1		15.3	-11.0		27.9	1.5		30.3	-4.4		31.6	-2.2		32.1	1.6	
Aug	29.6	1.4		36.2	1.4		31.1	0.3		30.6	1.3		33.0	2.8		16.0	9.6		26.8	6.8		29.0	-4.0		31.6	15.3		31.0	1.6	
Sep	33.0	2.5		37.8	-0.3		32.5	1.2		33.4	5.7		38.3	2.4		32.6	3.2		29.7	-0.7		30.6	6.3		32.7	1.2		34.1	2.4	
Oct	29.3	1.0		33.6	-0.9		28.8	-3.7		30.0	2.0		30.9	0.3		27.2	-5.2		27.2	1.9		29.1	6.6		28.2	-3.1		30.2	1.7	
Nov	29.6	1.7		34.4	-2.3		29.1	-0.3		29.8	-3.6		32.2	3.9		25.4	-13.6		28.1	5.2		30.7	16.3		28.8	4.0		30.6	3.4	
Dec	32.8	1.9		36.5	0.3		31.6	-3.4		32.4	-2.1		37.4	1.4		32.0	-3.0		31.2	6.5		30.2	6.0		36.3	10.3		33.7	2.4	
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6		36.3	2.5		30.4	-1.9		33.6	2.1		35.4	-2.7		31.8	-2.5		32.4	7.3		30.1	7.5		34.3	2.4		32.9	1.5	
Feb	32.8	1.5		37.8	5.0		31.1	0.0		33.9	0.9		37.0	-4.9		31.8	-0.9		30.2	-0.3		30.9	9.6		34.7	-2.0		33.9	1.5	
Mar	32.7	7.6		37.4	1.9		31.4	-0.3		33.9	4.0		37.6	1.9		31.5	115.8		31.0	7.6		28.4	0.4		34.0	2.4		33.8	7.3	
Apr	32.8	9.0		36.3	2.0		32.5	6.6		34.3	12.1		37.5	13.0		33.1	19.9		30.3	9.4		28.5	2.5		35.5	25.4		34.1	9.6	
May	32.7	0.9		37.5	-0.5		31.8	1.0		35.1	2.3		35.3	-4.6		32.4	6.6		31.9	2.2		29.0	0.3		32.6	-5.5		33.8	1.2	
Jun	32.6	0.0		38.8	-1.8		31.9	-2.4		34.0	2.7		35.9	0.3		33.1	9.2		30.5	2.0		30.2	0.7		32.7	-2.1		33.8	-0.3	
Jul	30.3	-1.6		37.5	-1.1		30.5	-4.1		32.1	-3.0		33.4	-3.2		15.6	2.0		29.4	5.4		31.0	2.3		32.0	1.3		31.8	-0.9	
Aug	29.5	-0.3		35.0	-3.3		30.2	-2.9		31.7	3.6		32.2	-2.4		13.8	-13.8		27.4	2.2		30.5	5.2		29.0	-8.2		30.9	-0.3	
Sep	32.3	-2.1		36.0	-4.8		31.7	-2.5		33.0	-1.2		35.3	-7.8		33.2	1.8		30.4	2.4		30.4	-0.7		32.0	-2.1		33.6	-1.5	
Oct																														
Nov																														
Dec																														
Average:	31.4			37.0			31.5			32.7			36.0			25.7			29.2			29.0			32.7			32.5		
Jan-Sep04	32.0			37.0			31.3			33.5			35.5			28.5			30.4			29.9			33.0			33.2		
% Change	1.8			-0.1			-0.8			2.5			-1.4			10.7			4.2			3.0			0.9			1.9		

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

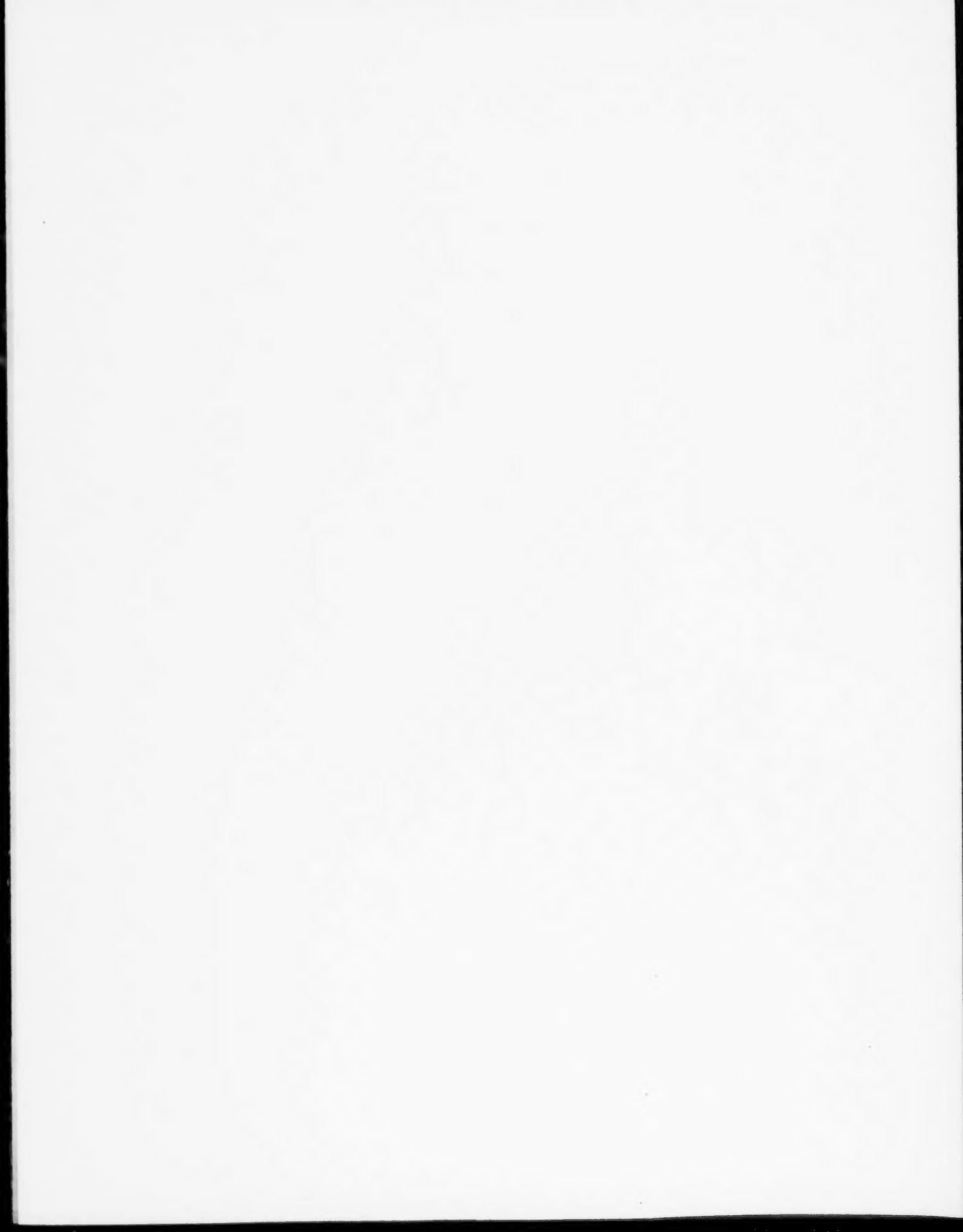
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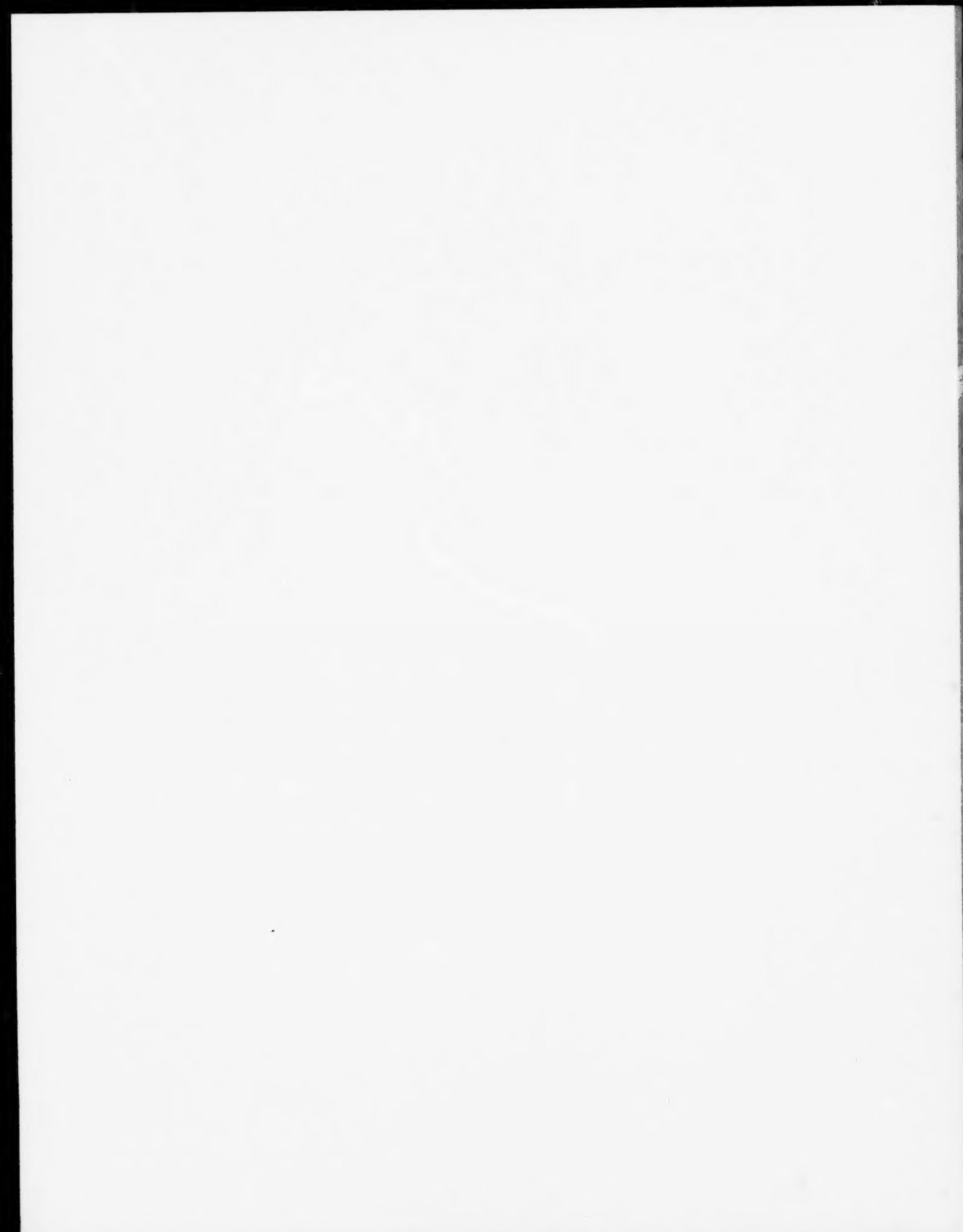
All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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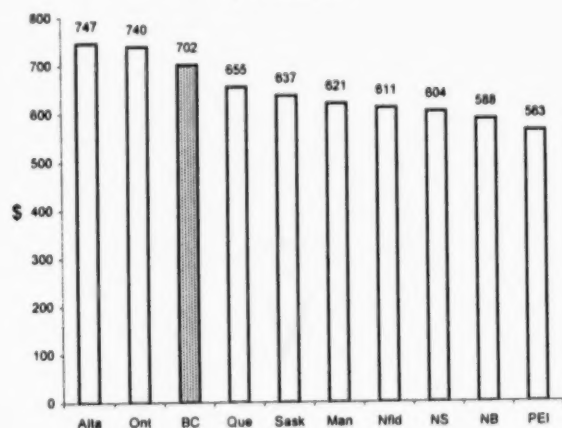




Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ October 2005

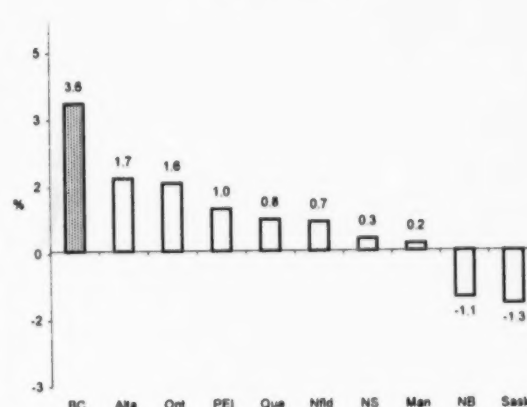
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - October 2005

by Province

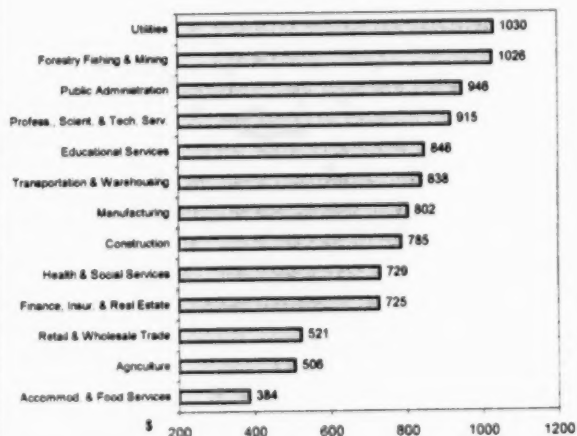


Employment Growth* - October 2005

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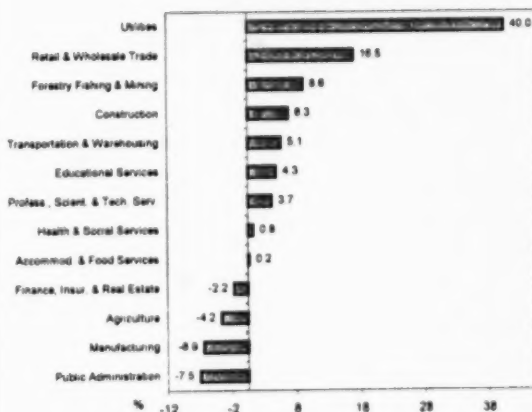


by Industry



* Latest 12 month average

by Industry



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate			Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC		U.S.A.	Current Dollars		U.S.A.	Constant Dollars		U.S.A.	Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.
	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	%
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.4	1.7	1.5
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.5	0.9	1.5
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.2	2.1	2.3
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.0	2.5	1.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	2.1	2.6	1.5
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4			3.9			0.5	1.9	2.6	2.5
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.5	3.2	2.7	-0.2	0.6	-0.2	-0.4	1.3	0.0
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.3	2.6	0.7	0.0	1.0	2.0	2.4	-0.3
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	-0.8	0.0	2.8	2.3	0.9
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.6	0.7	-0.5	2.3	1.8	1.1
Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	1.6	-2.0	1.3	-0.3	3.7	1.8	0.8
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	2.2	-0.9	2.0	0.5	1.8	1.5	0.7
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	0.9	-1.4	2.4	-0.8	1.0	1.4	0.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	2.4	-2.2	1.3	0.1	1.2	1.9	0.7
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	3.6	-3.9	-0.1	0.5	2.5	2.2	0.9
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	0.5	-4.0	0.5	-2.7	3.6	2.0	1.0
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	2.6	-3.0	0.0	-0.4	3.0	2.2	1.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	3.2	-1.9	0.2	0.5	2.5	2.1	1.5
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	2.0	-0.8	0.5	-0.6	2.8	2.1	1.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	2.9	0.5	0.1	-0.3	1.9	1.9	1.3
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.9	0.2	0.4	-2.6	1.9	1.6	1.3
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	3.2	0.5	0.4	-0.1	1.6	1.4	1.3
2005												
Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.1	0.8	1.8	1.4	1.3
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	1.5	0.7	0.4	-1.5	3.4	1.5	1.3
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	0.9	0.3	-0.5	3.3	1.6	1.5
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	1.6	0.6	-0.5	4.0	1.3	1.8
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.1	-0.5	4.1	1.3	1.9
Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.3	3.5	2.9	1.8	1.8	0.4	2.7	1.3	1.8
Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.5	3.8	2.6	0.6	1.7	-0.5	2.7	1.2	1.7
Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.1	4.2	1.7	0.0	1.6	-1.9	3.4	1.5	2.0
Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	1.6	4.2	3.3	-0.8	0.8	-1.3	3.1	1.2	2.1
Oct				0.2	4.1	3.9				3.3	1.4	2.0
Nov												
Dec												

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada	BC	Alberta	Sask	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$
1995											
1996											
1997	571.55		610.31	501.55	506.44	603.57	547.12	488.74	478.37	438.32	495.30
1998	579.76		618.90	508.28	515.90	610.42	555.73	498.50	492.99	445.01	493.39
1999	595.97		626.78	525.80	531.75	633.11	565.26	506.81	503.08	461.14	497.98
2000	615.76		638.74	545.99	551.21	656.82	579.64	533.35	523.19	473.36	526.25
2001	635.51	3.2	648.13	572.12	562.31	678.29	596.49	537.65	542.92	495.46	549.64
2002	649.95	2.3	668.15	585.64	574.99	689.76	606.45	546.90	558.34	508.03	567.02
2003	662.56	1.9	683.82	604.68	588.50	701.44	619.76	561.61	574.07	538.21	588.69
2004	679.74	2.6	686.61	626.86	612.88	720.70	641.65	573.22	589.29	562.31	588.40
2004 Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	631.17	601.33	720.19	626.87	573.00	581.27	558.42	584.09
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	643.99	608.43	725.00	624.09	567.60	581.62	564.71	581.26
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	634.23	613.77	727.86	629.83	570.31	587.25	562.75	588.20
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	627.13	620.42	728.34	633.93	571.64	592.27	562.19	607.64
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	622.22	616.56	724.34	637.62	561.80	593.86	560.30	589.10
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	625.79	619.27	721.53	641.64	558.71	593.70	563.12	586.23
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	627.79	619.94	712.76	646.39	568.09	590.83	546.34	568.75
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	623.71	621.08	712.45	650.06	570.52	592.75	554.93	581.81
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	622.60	610.86	721.45	651.08	577.66	594.54	561.59	592.66
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	623.98	614.34	713.80	651.11	589.81	588.84	571.52	600.80
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	623.15	604.00	720.16	653.63	586.35	587.03	575.46	595.80
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	617.82	604.18	720.70	651.68	583.08	586.34	567.99	588.64
2005 Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	627.40	604.85	736.24	649.80	585.91	589.73	584.46	597.02
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	640.30	611.94	732.84	647.14	577.09	586.62	583.72	596.71
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	634.50	620.64	736.22	653.44	580.47	601.61	578.38	611.15
Apr	699.65	3.0	700.56	624.71	623.41	742.81	653.35	575.44	612.67	572.45	603.45
May	696.25	2.7	698.81	634.56	619.77	734.67	654.94	582.32	609.76	557.91	613.30
Jun	701.45	3.5	700.73	644.07	632.07	741.85	656.81	593.60	619.92	547.65	627.41
Jul	701.94	3.8	698.02	645.41	625.82	746.86	653.14	595.61	611.30	537.62	613.44
Aug	708.30	4.2	702.66	647.85	633.06	753.10	660.91	595.22	609.80	546.20	631.37
Sep	713.23	4.2	709.12	655.92	640.49	757.08	661.26	609.04	615.79	549.82	632.33
Oct	711.14	4.1	705.83	647.85	626.17	752.47	665.54	599.63	615.96	560.19	626.04
Nov											
Dec											
Average:	678.56		684.12	628.26	614.60	720.82	639.26	570.91	589.69	560.59	588.05
Jan-Oct04	701.47		702.67	640.26	623.82	743.41	655.63	588.43	607.32	561.84	615.22
% Change	3.4		2.7	1.9	1.5	3.1	2.6	3.1	3.0	0.2	4.6

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1996	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1997	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1998	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
1999	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2000	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2001	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2002	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2003																						
2004																						
Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	13.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.54	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.85	1.5	19.44	6.4	17.13	2.6	16.98	1.9	19.81	3.7	18.10	1.7	15.26	2.3	16.06	3.4	14.28	-0.3	15.43	5.2
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.11	2.0	19.57	6.0	17.10	3.0	17.10	3.1	19.92	4.6	18.16	1.6	15.43	3.8	16.08	3.7	14.31	-1.2	15.92	7.6
Sep	19.29	3.8	19.50	1.6	20.07	6.8	17.54	3.7	17.40	4.1	20.34	4.6	18.48	1.7	15.90	4.7	16.46	3.5	14.63	-1.4	16.48	7.7
Oct	19.33	3.9	19.44	0.5	20.17	6.4	17.56	3.6	17.26	2.7	20.29	5.0	18.71	2.7	15.78	1.9	16.51	4.6	14.93	-1.4	16.31	4.7
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Oct04	18.45		18.90		18.45		16.94		16.79		19.41		17.93		15.13		15.82		15.01		15.45	
Jan-Oct05	19.02		19.30		19.63		17.20		17.11		19.99		18.37		15.55		16.22		15.16		16.08	
% Change	3.1		2.1		6.4		1.5		1.9		3.0		2.5		2.7		2.5		1.0		4.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,092.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9	
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	64.6	1.4	207.4	1.6
2003	15,865.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	465.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.2	199.2	1.5
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,179.7	1.0	3,589.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	586.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	582.0	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.9	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,685.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	3.5	1,751.1	1.7	476.7	2.5	573.1	1.7	6,265.3	0.9	3,631.8	1.7	333.3	0.4	425.6	1.4	63.0	4.1	197.2	-1.0
Mar	15,800.8	1.5	2,077.3	3.3	1,760.2	1.9	479.5	2.8	568.8	0.5	6,256.3	1.2	3,632.6	1.2	333.3	-0.3	428.0	1.1	63.4	3.8	201.5	0.0
Apr	15,998.9	1.4	2,090.6	4.1	1,758.9	1.4	476.2	0.9	570.1	0.1	6,312.7	1.3	3,656.6	0.3	336.2	1.0	434.3	1.3	63.2	3.8	200.0	-0.8
May	16,289.7	1.6	2,140.8	4.5	1,801.8	1.9	494.2	1.7	586.9	0.8	6,459.9	1.8	3,707.7	-0.3	359.0	1.7	454.4	1.6	70.4	2.3	214.8	-1.8
Jun	16,499.3	1.2	2,159.0	2.5	1,816.6	1.4	497.7	1.2	588.7	0.4	6,508.0	1.4	3,801.6	0.8	363.5	-0.9	457.7	-0.3	73.3	2.4	233.1	-0.2
Jul	16,528.7	1.1	2,160.1	2.7	1,817.2	2.1	496.8	1.4	588.6	1.7	6,486.3	0.8	3,837.0	0.9	368.1	-0.5	458.3	-1.0	73.9	2.1	242.5	-1.3
Aug	16,507.3	1.5	2,165.9	3.5	1,811.9	1.1	492.2	0.5	587.0	0.9	6,510.0	1.4	3,810.2	1.3	367.6	-1.0	462.0	1.1	73.8	1.1	226.8	-1.9
Sep	16,266.1	1.2	2,146.8	3.1	1,788.4	0.7	479.7	-0.7	581.9	0.3	6,417.5	1.7	3,757.0	0.6	357.2	-1.3	444.6	-1.0	70.8	1.0	222.2	0.9
Oct	16,330.3	1.4	2,165.9	3.6	1,792.3	1.7	479.5	-1.3	583.1	0.2	6,466.8	1.6	3,757.3	0.8	351.6	-1.1	448.5	0.3	69.6	1.0	215.9	0.7
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	15,937.2		2,055.4		1,756.1		479.3		575.3		6,309.3		3,686.3		350.9		441.3		66.8		216.5	
Jan-Oct04	16,160.1		2,122.7		1,784.2		484.7		579.6		6,390.7		3,720.3		350.2		444.1		68.4		215.4	
% Change	1.4		3.3		1.6		1.1		0.8		1.3		0.9		-0.2		0.6		2.5		-0.5	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.8	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	34.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.2	1.2	34.4	-0.9
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.6	0.6	30.4	-1.0	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.2	3.3	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.6	2.6	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct	30.8	0.3	29.4	-2.6	34.0	3.0	33.3	2.5	30.7	-1.6	30.8	0.7	29.5	0.0	32.2	0.3	30.7	0.0	31.9	2.2	32.5	0.6
2005 Jan	33.2		32.3		34.9		33.9		33.4		33.6		32.1		33.8		32.0		32.9		33.3	
Jan-Oct04	33.5		32.8		35.5		34.6		33.6		33.6		32.4		34.3		33.1		34.0		34.2	
Jan-Oct05	C.9		1.5		1.5		1.9		0.6		0.2		0.9		1.4		3.5		3.2		2.5	
% Change																						

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg
	\$	\$		\$	\$		('000)	('000)		Hrs	Hrs	
1995							377.6	1,194.9				
1996							372.0	1,248.3				
1997							419.0	1,435.0				
1998							409.9	1,443.7				
1999							395.6	1,497.5				
2000							408.4	1,521.7				
2001							383.9	1,538.2				
2002							392.3	1,567.9				
2003							411.7	1,602.5				
2004							431.0	1,628.7				
Jan							401.1	1,611.0				
Feb							399.3	1,597.7				
Mar							400.8	1,609.9				
Apr							409.3	1,599.1				
May							422.5	1,626.9				
Jun							448.0	1,657.4				
Jul							459.7	1,644.0				
Aug							460.1	1,633.0				
Sep							441.9	1,640.8				
Oct							454.9	1,636.8				
Nov							439.0	1,633.9				
Dec							435.5	1,654.2				
2005							439.5	1,613.8				
Jan							441.2	1,626.1				
Feb							436.2	1,641.2				
Mar							444.6	1,646.0				
Apr							450.2	1,690.7				
May							463.8	1,695.2				
Jun							484.9	1,675.2				
Jul							480.1	1,685.8				
Aug							453.2	1,693.6				
Sep							455.4	1,710.5				
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:							429.8	1,625.7				
Jan-Oct04							454.9	1,667.8				
Jan-Oct05							5.9	2.6				
% Change												

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995												
1996												
1997	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1998	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1999	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
2000	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
2001	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0		-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2002	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2003	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2004	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2004 Jan												
Feb	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Mar	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Apr	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
May	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
Jun	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jul	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Aug	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Sep	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Oct	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Nov	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Dec	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005 Jan												
Feb	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Mar	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Apr	816.99	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
May	816.34	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
Jun	810.29	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jul	794.94	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1006.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Aug	787.35	0.8	523.57	4.0	1028.71	1.8	1092.34	14.5	798.62	-0.3	755.18	0.1
Sep	805.34	0.3	508.72	-1.4	954.54	-7.0	1131.44	11.1	806.16	3.6	744.29	-3.8
Oct	804.22	-1.0	475.98	0.8	1055.60	-1.6	1107.87	0.8	803.63	-0.5	763.18	-5.3
Nov		-0.9	481.33	6.4	1117.10	-0.1	1078.46	18.5	799.73	-2.0	744.30	-6.1
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Oct04	790.25		492.58		1014.92		1018.32		786.79		781.75	
Jan-Oct05	805.20		509.34		1026.52		1061.08		799.76		782.52	
% Change	1.9		3.4		1.1		4.2		1.6		0.1	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scienc. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31	
1998	580.56		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	749.40	735.56	360.72	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	813.34	762.55	336.23	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.96	1.3	838.98	791.68	749.85	354.70	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	782.68	749.60	356.77	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	800.25	748.27	365.48	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	830.02	719.07	372.22	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	892.73	708.22	366.15	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	935.34	714.84	367.38	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	858.90	695.21	366.15	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	837.18	742.34	363.39	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	822.13	738.71	378.44	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	841.46	748.44	360.60	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	843.61	749.70	387.10	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	824.78	746.66	390.46	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	823.32	719.44	367.46	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	832.55	722.18	366.89	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	849.86	712.60	373.82	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7
Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	861.34	717.39	385.17	929.73	4.5	700.73	3.3
Jul	671.55	3.0	858.11	7.7	516.72	-2.4	714.14	-0.1	920.22	829.97	722.19	396.51	909.58	2.6	698.02	2.5
Aug	679.72	2.7	834.49	1.5	523.27	-0.3	708.77	1.3	940.65	912.96	720.09	403.03	940.92	4.6	702.66	2.1
Sep	685.39	2.6	851.11	1.3	544.32	3.4	732.20	6.2	946.96	841.96	727.04	400.47	974.49	6.1	709.12	1.6
Oct	681.09	0.9	859.82	-1.7	521.85	-2.6	762.02	11.1	942.50	870.65	721.09	402.79	977.40	3.6	705.83	0.2
Nov																
Dec																
Average:	656.99		779.41		523.21		724.68		838.85	829.15	732.55	360.92	906.60		684.12	
Jan-Oct04	676.57		837.78		521.25		728.16		928.95	849.10	725.84	387.37	947.12		702.67	
% Change	3.0		7.5		-0.4		0.5		10.7	2.4	-0.9	7.3	4.5		2.7	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1997	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1998	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
2000	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun	20.15	4.8	12.00	-2.2	23.16	-0.1	27.75	15.2	20.62	6.2	19.20	0.7
Jul	19.62	0.3	12.89	9.4	23.26	-2.2	28.16	15.7	19.98	0.2	18.70	-2.6
Aug	19.69	1.1	12.03	-0.8	22.78	-1.9	29.45	18.1	20.24	3.0	18.83	-3.1
Sep	20.08	-1.1	12.35	-1.0	24.38	0.1	28.49	9.3	20.22	-1.6	19.07	-4.7
Oct	20.12	-1.4	12.24	-0.1	24.97	-3.0	28.24	18.7	20.33	-1.4	18.79	-6.5
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Oct04	19.83		12.65		23.92		26.13		19.91		19.65	
Jan-Oct05	20.13		12.67		23.87		27.69		20.20		19.64	
% Change	1.5		0.2		-0.2		6.0		1.5		0.0	

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	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13	22.37	18.23	10.12	21.19		16.83	
1996	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60	22.07	18.52	10.42	20.93		17.08	
1997	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43	21.95	18.85	10.28	21.55		17.28	
1998	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36	23.03	19.26	10.82	21.87		17.53	
2000	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	22.71	20.20	10.94	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	23.66	21.03	11.10	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	24.29	21.96	11.28	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	25.03	22.06	11.57	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004																
2004 Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	23.32	22.45	11.64	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	24.71	22.66	11.47	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	24.17	22.27	11.50	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	23.95	22.04	11.48	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	24.52	22.19	11.54	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	25.08	21.43	11.72	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	25.29	21.46	11.61	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	26.55	21.69	11.62	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	25.73	21.55	11.74	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	25.83	22.06	11.62	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	26.07	22.40	11.60	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	25.67	22.66	11.28	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
2005																
2005 Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	25.16	22.35	11.80	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	25.06	22.44	11.93	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	24.25	21.81	11.78	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	25.00	21.54	11.74	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	25.68	21.27	11.81	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Jun	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	25.45	21.56	11.84	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8
Jul	18.65	1.8	21.48	9.1	14.62	-1.9	19.04	-1.9	23.53	24.52	21.33	11.90	24.69	2.3	18.85	1.5
Aug	18.96	2.3	21.11	6.2	14.82	0.8	19.02	-1.4	24.47	26.34	21.90	12.00	25.47	4.3	19.11	2.0
Sep	19.36	2.4	21.36	3.1	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.5	24.73	25.31	21.98	12.42	26.59	5.3	19.50	1.6
Oct	19.28	1.2	21.40	0.8	15.04	-1.1	20.91	8.9	24.91	25.32	21.83	12.44	26.36	3.2	19.44	0.5
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Oct04	18.66		19.72		14.95		19.83		22.03	24.92	21.98	11.59	24.68		18.90	
Jan-Oct05	19.09		21.14		14.94		19.80		22.24	25.21	21.80	11.97	25.77		19.30	
% Change	2.3		7.2		-0.1		-0.2		10.0	1.2	-0.8	3.2	4.4		2.1	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

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	All Goods Prod. Industries (Incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	Construction				
													('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2		43.7		24.2		126.1	
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	7.7	43.2	-1.1	23.3	-3.7	118.5	-6.0
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	6.3	44.9	3.9	23.3	0.0	124.9	5.4
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	1.2	43.6	-2.9	22.9	-1.7	118.4	-5.2
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	-15.6	42.5	-2.5	22.3	-2.6	113.8	-3.9
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	8.3	45.9	8.0	17.8	-20.2	111.3	-2.2
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	8.9	48.8	6.3	15.0	-15.7	110.8	-0.4
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.2	17.0	13.3	117.4	6.0
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	16.3	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	117.4	0.0
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	-1.3	46.5	-5.1	11.9	-17.4	141.7	20.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	49.3	47.2	3.7	10.5	-41.3	122.5	15.0
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	14.5	47.7	-4.8	10.9	-29.2	118.5	9.0
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	18.0	54.0	5.1	9.4	-39.4	123.1	8.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	0.7	49.6	-1.4	10.3	-29.5	127.5	22.0
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	-6.6	46.9	-12.2	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	0.0	45.9	-11.4	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	-22.7	49.6	-1.2	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	-19.8	44.9	-3.4	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	-18.0	44.3	0.9	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	-10.6	42.3	-12.8	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	3.2	42.2	-15.9	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	-5.7	43.3	-6.9	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	-7.3	39.2	-16.9	12.5	19.0	159.7	30.4
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	24.8	42.7	-10.5	12.5	14.7	159.7	34.8
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	26.8	43.6	-19.3	12.9	37.2	158.5	28.8
Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	15.1	41.2	-16.9	13.8	34.0	165.2	29.6
May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	23.2	42.5	-9.4	13.7	-3.5	161.8	22.9
Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	69.0	12.9	27.7	193.0	-7.9	29.9	-1.3	45.8	-0.2	11.0	-24.1	170.4	15.1
Jul	484.9	5.5	50.1	17.1	23.5	-13.6	2.1	-16.0	14.3	45.9	206.1	-4.6	35.7	45.7	50.3	1.4	12.3	-8.2	175.8	15.4
Aug	480.1	4.3	45.8	6.5	24.1	5.2	1.7	-52.8	14.6	39.0	201.1	-6.9	30.6	6.3	50.1	11.6	12.8	8.5	181.1	17.6
Sep	453.2	2.6	37.4	3.6	21.6	-2.3	1.7	-32.0	13.6	23.6	198.9	-5.3	25.3	-5.6	47.2	6.5	9.7	-14.2	169.1	11.5
Oct	455.4	0.1	36.9	-4.2	22.6	4.6	3.2	33.3	14.6	12.3	195.3	-6.9	25.7	-21.9	51.9	22.7	9.9	-22.0	171.7	6.3
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:	429.8		37.5		21.7		3.1		10.4		208.8		30.3		47.2		11.9		139.1	
Jan-Oct04	454.9		40.7		22.5		1.8		13.5		197.7		33.1		45.5		12.1		167.3	
% Change	5.9		8.7		4.0		-41.9		30.4		-5.3		9.1		-3.8		1.8		20.3	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service			Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Food & Bev.	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1		173.6	134.8	100.1	1,786.1			
1996	1,406.7	2.0	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	-3.7	180.8	141.6	105.3	1,813.3	5.2		1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	1.4	186.5	142.3	99.0	1,854.0	-6.0		2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	292.6	-2.2	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	-1.3	191.1	147.2	92.8	1,853.5	-6.3		0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	6.1	190.0	149.3	89.4	1,893.1	-3.7		2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	9.0	198.9	154.7	90.5	1,930.0	1.2		1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	1.5	197.9	162.4	88.0	1,922.1	-2.8		-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	-0.7	211.6	162.4	87.8	1,960.1	-0.2		2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	2.1	213.5	161.9	94.1	2,014.2	7.2		2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	-3.8	219.5	174.8	97.9	2,059.7	4.0		2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	-2.5	215.6	156.8	94.6	2,012.2	7.6		3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	-4.7	212.5	165.8	96.5	1,997.0	5.8		1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	-9.8	220.7	167.9	98.5	2,010.7	13.3		1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	-6.9	218.6	173.6	94.5	2,008.4	10.1		1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	-3.0	217.2	171.5	98.1	2,049.4	9.2		2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	-0.4	224.4	182.7	99.7	2,105.4	3.5		3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	-4.3	221.6	186.5	99.3	2,103.7	-0.3		3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	316.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	-9.2	218.5	184.8	102.1	2,093.2	4.7		2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	136.6	5.2	226.3	177.0	99.1	2,082.7	3.0		2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	-4.2	217.7	175.5	98.8	2,091.6	-2.2		1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	-0.6	218.4	175.5	96.5	2,072.9	-2.5		1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	-4.2	222.7	179.7	96.9	2,089.7	-0.6		1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	-3.0	215.6	168.6	92.7	2,053.3	-2.0		2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	2.3	216.3	162.7	93.9	2,067.3	-2.7		3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	5.3	212.6	164.6	95.5	2,077.3	-3.0		3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	12.0	210.5	180.2	93.3	2,090.6	-1.3		4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	10.7	205.2	181.5	105.5	2,140.8	7.5		4.5
Jun	1,695.2	2.3	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	12.6	204.9	179.9	99.4	2,159.0	-0.3		2.5
Jul	1,675.2	1.9	322.2	-1.4	139.3	8.9	988.7	2.5	130.6	16.7	208.6	190.5	95.0	2,160.1	-4.3		2.7
Aug	1,685.8	3.2	334.8	5.9	137.9	-0.4	986.4	3.1	127.3	20.1	215.5	183.4	100.4	2,165.9	-1.7		3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.2	344.1	9.2	129.5	-2.1	995.1	2.1	149.7	8.0	217.1	177.5	95.0	2,146.8	-4.1		3.1
Oct	1,710.5	4.5	364.2	16.5	131.4	-2.2	998.5	2.7	141.9	4.3	219.4	175.8	91.4	2,165.9	-7.5		3.6
Nov																	
Dec																	
Average:	1,625.7		320.4		130.9		957.7		133.9		219.3	174.2	98.1	2,055.4			
Jan-Oct04	1,667.8		329.0		136.2		986.5		145.1		212.6	176.5	96.2	2,122.7			
% Change	2.6		2.7		4.0		3.0		8.4		-3.1	1.3	-1.9	3.3			

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3		30.3		40.2		34.2		35.9		34.0	
Feb	37.4	-3.8	35.3	-1.9	41.3	-2.7	36.0	-10.9	37.1	-5.8	37.5	0.6
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	4.4	37.0	-2.4	29.0	-3.2	35.8	-2.1	37.6	5.0
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	-4.9	31.4	-9.5	27.2	-15.5	36.0	-4.5	35.3	-1.6
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	10.7	38.3	3.3	36.1	-17.3	36.8	11.1	37.5	16.9
Jun	38.6	-0.3	40.6	2.7	41.3	0.6	30.6	-1.6	37.5	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jul	36.8	2.9	35.8	-3.3	40.7	2.0	32.0	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Aug	36.1	2.2	35.8	10.9	41.7	-5.0	31.5	-5.0	34.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Sep	38.4	1.7	39.5	6.9	42.0	1.6	38.1	1.6	38.1	1.8	35.9	3.2
Oct	33.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	37.5	5.0	24.9	12.1	32.6	1.3	38.4	5.8
Nov	34.1	3.1	40.7	20.8	39.7	10.3	29.4	-15.6	33.4	0.6	32.3	2.2
Dec	37.3	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.0	6.7	33.1	-2.3	38.3	5.7	33.5	11.3
2005 Jan	35.4	5.1	35.8	8.0	39.0	-9.1	39.5	-9.1	37.5	6.4	36.0	3.4
Feb	37.8	0.3	32.1	-4.2	38.5	15.5	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Mar	38.1	1.1	33.4	5.9	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Apr	38.7	5.8	37.2	-5.4	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
May	38.1	9.9	38.3	12.7	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
Jun	38.1	1.9	39.6	8.5	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Jul	38.1	-1.3	40.4	0.0	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Aug	36.8	0.0	40.5	-0.5	43.4	6.6	35.2	10.0	35.4	-1.1	36.1	-4.0
Sep	35.9	-0.6	39.2	13.1	41.2	2.5	32.3	2.5	35.0	0.6	35.2	-1.9
Oct	38.2	-0.5	37.2	-0.8	43.6	-1.2	32.3	-15.0	37.5	-1.6	38.5	0.3
Nov	33.2	-0.6	35.2	3.8	36.0	3.8	32.3	40.2	32.1	-1.5	33.3	3.1
Dec				-13.5		-4.0	34.9					
Average:												
Jan-Oct04	36.5		36.7		39.1		32.0		36.0		36.6	
Jan-Oct05	37.0		37.3		40.5		36.1		36.7		36.6	
% Change	1.6		1.6		3.6		13.1		1.9		0.0	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		35.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	36.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.4	34.0	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.7	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.6	37.5	-1.1	30.5	-4.1	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.0	29.4	5.4	31.0	2.3	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug	29.5	-0.3	35.0	-3.3	30.2	-2.9	31.7	3.6	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	2.2	30.5	5.2	29.0	-8.2	30.9	-0.3
Sep	32.3	-2.1	36.0	-4.8	31.7	-2.5	33.0	-1.2	35.3	-7.8	33.2	1.8	30.4	2.4	30.4	-0.7	32.0	-2.1	33.6	-1.5
Oct	28.4	-3.1	34.3	2.1	29.2	1.4	29.1	-3.0	32.4	4.9	17.7	-34.9	27.0	-0.7	28.3	-2.7	30.0	6.4	29.4	-2.6
Average:																				
Jan-Oct04	31.2		36.6		31.3		32.4		35.5		25.9		29.0		29.0		32.2		32.3	
Jan-Oct05	31.6		36.7		31.1		33.1		35.2		27.4		30.1		29.7		32.7		32.8	
% Change	1.3		0.1		-0.6		2.0		-0.8		5.9		3.7		2.4		1.4		1.5	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

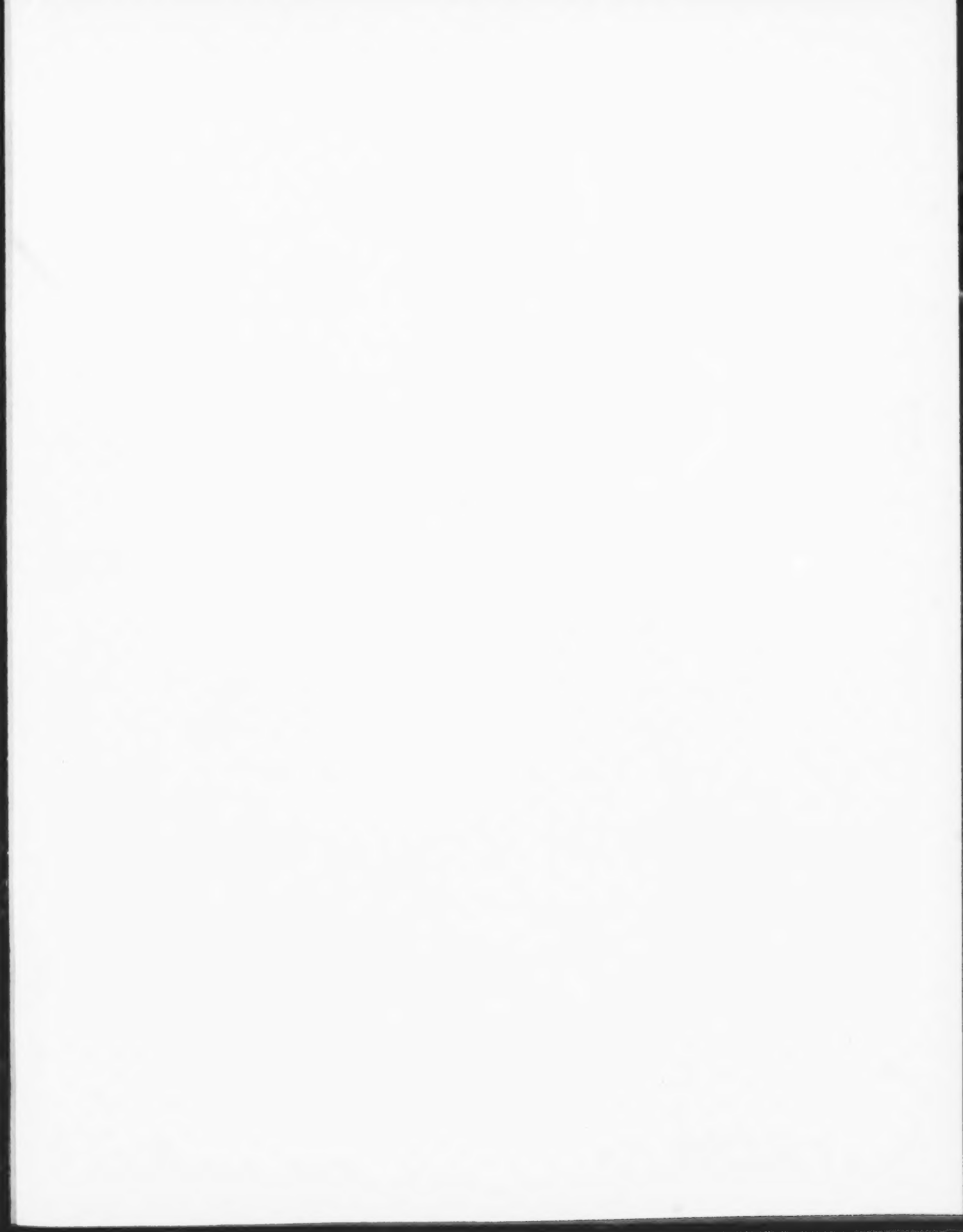
Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

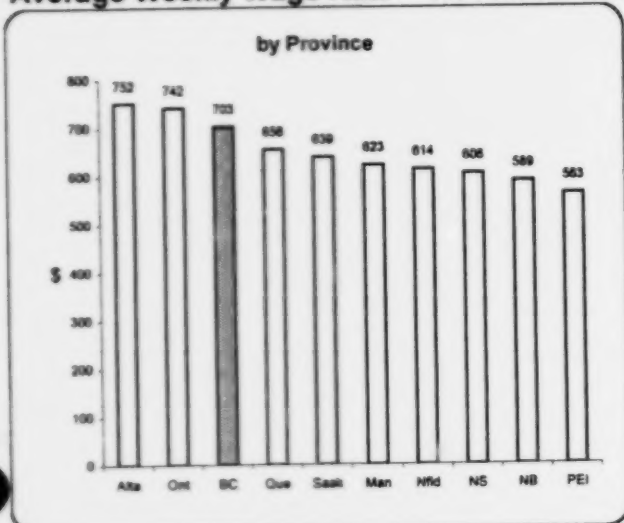
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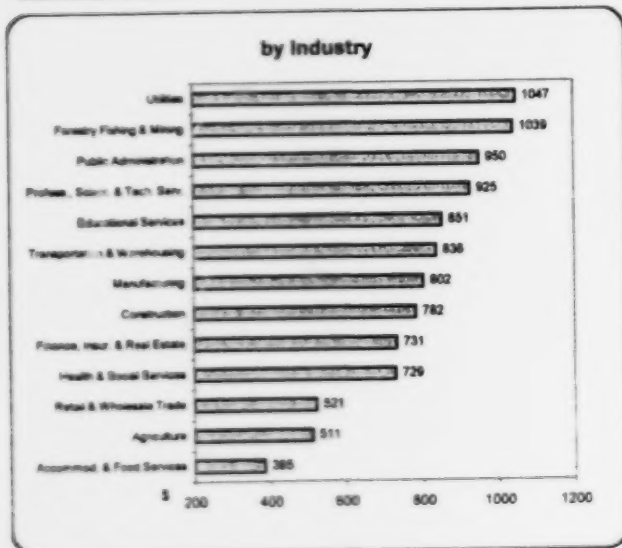
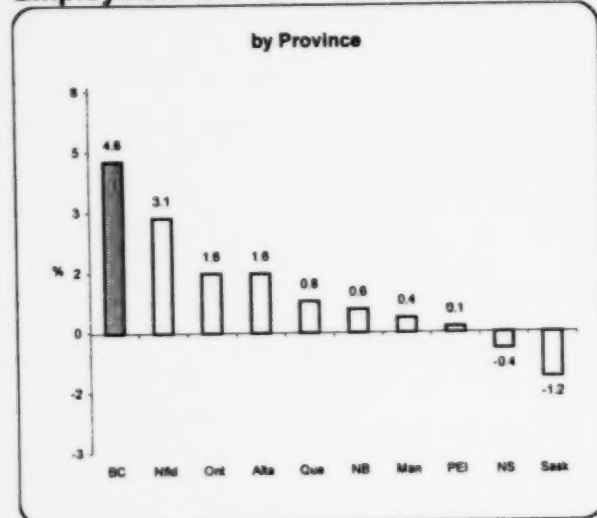


Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ November 2005

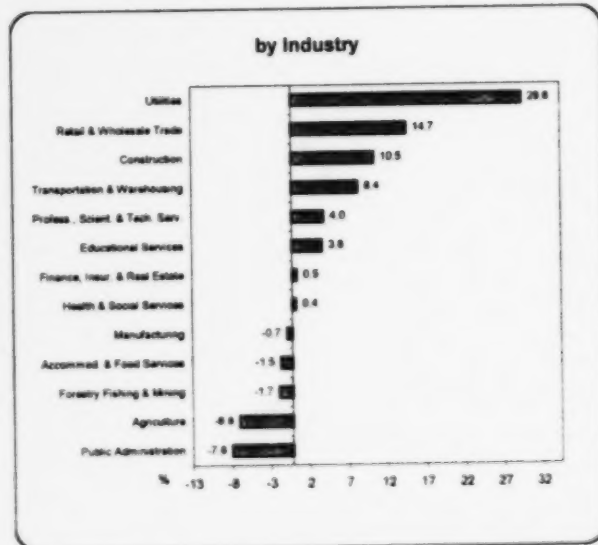
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - November 2005



Employment Growth* - November 2005



* Latest 12 month average



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate				Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	BC		U.S.A.	Current Dollars		Constant Dollars		Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.	Seasonally Adjusted		U.S.A.
	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	BC	Canada	% Change	BC	Canada	%
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8	2.3				2.4	1.7	1.5	8.5	9.6	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9	3.3				1.5	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.7	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3	4.5				2.2	2.1	2.3	8.5	9.2	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	3.9				0.0	2.5	1.5	8.9	8.4	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	3.2				2.1	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	3.9				1.9	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	2.7				-0.4	1.3	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	3.2	0.6		2.0	2.4	-0.3	8.6	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	0.0		2.8	2.3	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.6	2.2	-0.5		2.3	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	2.6		1.3		3.7	1.8	0.8	7.4	7.3	5.7
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	2.7		2.0		1.8	1.5	0.7	7.8	7.3	5.6
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	3.1		2.4		1.0	1.4	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	3.0		1.3		1.2	1.9	0.7	7.5	7.2	5.5
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	2.4		-0.1		2.5	2.2	0.9	7.5	7.1	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	2.9		0.5		3.6	2.0	1.0	7.3	7.2	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	2.3		-0.4		3.0	2.2	1.5	7.0	7.1	5.5
Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.0		0.2		2.5	2.1	1.5	7.4	7.1	5.4
Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	2.3		0.5		2.8	2.1	1.4	6.7	7.0	5.4
Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	2.4		-0.3		1.9	1.9	1.3	6.8	7.1	5.5
Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.9		-0.6		1.9	1.6	1.3	6.5	7.2	5.4
Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.6		-0.1		1.6	1.4	1.3	6.2	7.0	5.4
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	3.0		0.8		1.8	1.4	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.6		-1.5		3.4	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	2.6		-0.5		3.3	1.6	1.5	6.5	6.9	5.2
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.0		-0.5		4.0	1.3	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.2
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	2.7		-0.5		4.1	1.3	1.9	5.7	6.8	5.1
Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.5		0.4		2.7	1.3	1.8	5.8	6.7	5.0
Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	3.8		-0.5		2.7	1.2	1.7	6.2	6.8	5.0
Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	4.2		-1.9		3.4	1.5	2.0	5.8	6.8	4.9
Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	4.2		-1.0		3.1	1.2	2.1	5.7	6.7	5.1
Oct	2.3	2.6	4.3	4.1		0.0		3.3	1.4	2.0	5.1	6.6	5.0
Nov				3.9		1.4		4.3	1.6	1.6	4.9	6.4	5.0
Dec				3.9									

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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1996	579.76		618.90		573.81		508.28		515.90		610.42		555.73		498.50		492.99		445.01		493.39	
1997	595.97		626.78		594.55		525.80		531.75		633.11		565.26		506.81		503.08		461.14		497.98	
1998	615.76		638.74		617.03		545.99		551.21		656.82		579.64		533.35		523.19		473.36		526.25	
1999	635.13	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2000	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2001	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2002	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2003	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
2004	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Jan	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.9	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Feb	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	627.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
Mar	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	698.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Apr	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
May	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-2.0
Jun	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Jul	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Aug	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Sep	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Oct	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
Nov																						
Dec																						
2005	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Jan	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Feb	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Mar	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
Apr	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
May	701.45	3.5	700.73	3.3	749.42	8.0	644.07	2.9	632.07	2.1	741.85	2.8	656.81	2.4	593.60	6.2	619.92	4.4	547.65	-2.7	627.41	7.0
Jun	701.94	3.8	698.02	2.5	757.21	7.6	645.41	2.8	625.82	0.6	746.86	4.8	653.14	1.0	585.61	3.1	611.30	3.5	537.62	-1.6	613.44	7.9
Jul	708.30	4.2	702.66	2.1	762.15	7.0	647.85	3.9	633.06	2.3	753.10	5.6	660.91	1.7	595.22	4.3	609.80	2.9	546.20	-1.6	631.37	8.5
Aug	713.23	4.2	709.12	1.6	775.13	8.8	655.92	5.4	640.49	4.9	757.08	4.9	661.26	1.6	609.04	5.4	615.79	3.6	549.82	-2.1	632.33	6.7
Sep	711.14	4.1	705.83	0.2	774.86	7.8	647.85	3.8	626.17	1.9	752.47	5.4	665.54	2.2	599.63	1.7	615.96	4.6	560.19	-2.0	626.04	4.2
Oct	712.77	3.9	717.66	2.4	780.28	8.4	652.69	4.7	631.67	4.6	751.42	4.3	663.86	1.6	601.54	2.6	608.77	3.7	567.78	-1.3	626.31	5.1
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	679.22		685.61		702.02		627.80		613.64		720.76		640.57		572.32		589.45		561.94		588.76	
Jan-Nov04	702.50		704.04		754.61		641.39		624.54		744.14		656.38		589.62		607.45		562.38		616.23	
Jan-Nov05																						
% Change	3.4		2.7		7.5		2.2		1.8		3.2		2.5		3.0		3.1		0.1		4.7	

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1997	15.72		17.08		15.13		13.69		13.98		16.43		15.42		13.14		13.14		11.85		13.06	
1998	16.13		17.28		15.76		14.19		14.45		16.97		15.67		13.35		13.39		12.20		13.09	
1999	16.65		17.63		16.28		14.73		14.96		17.58		16.07		14.00		13.99		12.61		13.76	
2000	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2001	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.92	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2002	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2003	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2004																						
Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.83	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.34	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.85	1.5	19.44	6.4	17.13	2.6	16.98	1.9	19.81	3.7	18.10	1.7	15.26	2.3	16.06	3.4	14.28	-0.3	15.43	5.2
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.11	2.0	19.57	6.0	17.10	3.0	17.10	3.1	19.92	4.6	18.16	1.6	15.43	3.8	16.08	3.7	14.31	-1.2	15.92	7.6
Sep	19.29	3.8	19.50	1.6	20.07	6.8	17.54	3.7	17.40	4.1	20.34	4.6	18.48	1.7	15.90	4.7	16.46	3.5	14.63	-1.4	16.48	7.7
Oct	19.33	3.9	19.44	0.5	20.17	6.4	17.56	3.6	17.26	2.7	20.29	5.0	18.71	2.7	15.78	1.9	16.51	4.6	14.93	-1.4	16.31	4.7
Nov	19.44	3.9	19.67	1.3	20.33	6.7	17.59	4.1	17.37	4.4	20.36	4.7	18.82	2.6	15.92	2.8	16.48	4.0	15.40	-1.2	16.59	5.9
Dec																						
Average:	18.48		18.94		18.50		16.94		16.78		19.42		17.97		15.16		15.82		15.06		15.47	
Jan-Nov04	19.06		19.33		19.69		17.23		17.13		20.02		18.41		15.58		16.24		15.18		16.13	
Jan-Nov05	3.1		2.1		6.4		1.7		2.1		3.1		2.5		2.8		2.7		0.8		4.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada	BC	Alberta	Sask	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld
	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)
	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
1995	13,271.0	1,786.1	1,363.4	457.9	515.2	5,092.5	3,122.2	307.3	374.5	57.1	194.9
1996	13,391.6	1,813.3	1,403.7	456.3	515.9	5,158.1	3,116.8	305.4	375.7	58.7	187.7
1997	13,676.5	1,854.0	1,450.2	465.5	523.7	5,283.3	3,162.4	309.4	381.0	58.6	188.3
1998	14,019.2	1,853.5	1,507.7	469.9	532.8	5,450.9	3,242.9	315.7	393.8	59.5	192.4
1999	14,389.8	1,893.1	1,542.2	471.6	540.0	5,632.8	3,320.1	325.7	403.2	60.2	200.8
2000	14,758.6	1,930.0	1,583.6	473.6	551.7	5,814.0	3,402.2	331.4	411.1	62.8	198.1
2001	14,946.7	1,922.1	1,630.0	460.6	554.3	5,925.6	3,440.2	330.6	415.4	63.7	204.2
2002	15,307.9	2,014.2	1,671.5	468.3	567.4	6,035.2	3,568.0	342.9	422.4	64.6	207.4
2003	15,665.1	2,014.2	1,717.9	475.4	570.6	6,208.3	3,625.1	343.8	431.3	66.1	212.4
2004	15,949.7	2,059.7	1,757.9	479.9	576.0	6,316.3	3,685.9	350.4	441.6	66.7	215.2
2004 Jan	15,468.9	2,012.2	1,708.7	463.4	562.0	6,177.9	3,536.3	330.8	418.2	60.3	199.1
Feb	15,541.3	1,997.0	1,721.2	465.3	563.5	6,211.7	3,571.5	331.9	419.7	60.5	199.2
Mar	15,560.3	2,010.7	1,727.5	466.3	566.0	6,178.7	3,589.9	334.4	423.3	61.1	201.5
Apr	15,684.4	2,008.4	1,734.9	471.9	569.5	6,230.9	3,644.3	333.0	428.9	60.9	201.7
May	16,039.1	2,049.4	1,767.5	486.1	582.2	6,347.7	3,718.6	352.9	447.2	68.8	218.8
Jun	16,300.3	2,105.4	1,792.4	491.9	586.2	6,420.4	3,773.1	366.7	459.2	71.6	233.5
Jul	16,342.7	2,103.7	1,779.6	490.1	578.9	6,436.0	3,803.6	369.9	462.9	72.4	245.6
Aug	16,268.3	2,093.2	1,792.2	489.7	582.0	6,418.1	3,760.5	371.3	457.1	73.0	231.3
Sep	16,067.0	2,082.7	1,775.8	483.0	580.4	6,307.6	3,735.7	362.0	449.3	70.1	220.3
Oct	16,099.2	2,091.6	1,761.5	485.7	582.1	6,362.9	3,729.2	355.6	447.2	68.9	214.4
Nov	16,035.6	2,072.9	1,767.5	484.6	580.8	6,357.4	3,703.7	350.0	444.0	66.9	207.8
Dec	15,989.6	2,089.7	1,766.3	481.4	578.2	6,345.8	3,665.0	346.1	442.6	65.6	208.9
2005 Jan	15,695.5	2,053.3	1,743.6	474.2	567.8	6,223.7	3,611.1	332.4	427.1	62.6	199.8
Feb	15,784.5	2,067.3	1,751.1	476.7	573.1	6,265.3	3,631.8	333.3	425.6	63.0	197.2
Mar	15,800.8	2,077.3	1,760.2	479.5	568.8	6,256.3	3,632.6	333.3	428.0	63.4	201.5
Apr	15,898.9	2,090.6	1,758.9	476.2	570.1	6,312.7	3,656.6	336.2	434.3	63.2	200.0
May	16,289.7	2,140.8	1,801.8	494.2	586.9	6,459.9	3,707.7	359.0	454.4	70.4	214.8
Jun	16,499.3	2,159.0	1,816.6	497.7	588.7	6,508.0	3,801.6	363.5	457.7	73.3	233.1
Jul	16,528.7	2,160.1	1,817.2	496.8	588.6	6,486.3	3,837.0	368.1	458.3	73.9	242.5
Aug	16,507.3	2,165.9	1,811.9	492.2	587.0	6,510.0	3,810.2	367.6	462.0	73.8	226.8
Sep	16,266.1	2,146.8	1,788.4	479.7	581.9	6,417.5	3,757.0	357.2	444.6	70.8	222.2
Oct	16,330.3	2,165.9	1,792.3	479.5	583.1	6,466.8	3,757.3	351.6	448.5	69.6	215.9
Nov	16,295.0	2,168.0	1,795.6	478.8	583.1	6,458.8	3,735.1	352.2	442.1	67.0	214.2
Dec											
Average:	15,946.1	2,057.0	1,757.2	479.8	575.8	6,313.7	3,687.9	350.8	441.5	66.8	215.7
Jan-Nov04	16,172.4	2,126.8	1,785.2	484.1	579.9	6,396.8	3,721.6	350.4	443.9	68.3	215.3
% Change	1.4	3.4	1.6	0.9	0.7	1.3	0.9	-0.1	0.5	2.2	-0.2

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.0	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.2	1.2	34.4	-0.9
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.6	0.6	30.4	-1.0	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.2	3.3	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.6	2.6	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct	30.8	0.3	29.4	-2.6	34.0	3.0	33.3	2.5	30.7	-1.6	30.8	0.7	29.5	0.0	32.2	0.3	30.7	0.0	31.9	2.2	32.5	0.6
Nov	32.9	0.3	30.4	-0.7	34.2	3.3	32.1	3.2	30.6	0.7	33.9	-0.3	33.0	0.3	31.7	-0.6	30.8	1.7	30.7	-0.6	32.2	1.6
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Nov04	33.1		32.2		34.8		33.7		33.2		33.6		32.2		33.6		31.9		32.7		33.2	
Jan-Nov05	33.4		32.6		35.3		34.4		33.3		33.7		32.4		34.1		32.9		33.7		34.0	
% Change	0.8		1.3		1.7		2.1		0.6		0.2		0.8		1.3		3.3		2.8		2.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate			Average Hourly Wage Rate			Employment (Actual)			Average Weekly Hours Worked*		
	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg	Goods Industries	Service Industries	% Chg
	\$	\$		\$	\$		('000)	('000)		Hrs	Hrs	
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Jan-Nov04												
Jan-Nov05												
% Change												

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996	754.02		447.13		900.82		967.91		748.01		727.86	
1997	762.54		518.45		943.39		918.99		755.69		705.41	
1998	764.37		443.66		945.27		954.98		749.87		736.87	
1999	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2000	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2001	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2002	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	998.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2003												
2004												
Jan	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
Feb	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Mar	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Apr	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
May	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.75	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Jun	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
Jul	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Aug	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Sep	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Oct	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Nov	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Dec	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
2005												
Jan	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Feb	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Mar	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Apr	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
May	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
Jun	810.29	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1006.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Jul	794.94	0.8	523.57	4.0	1028.71	1.8	1092.34	14.5	798.62	-0.3	755.18	0.1
Aug	787.35	0.3	508.72	-1.4	954.54	-7.0	1131.44	11.1	806.16	3.6	744.29	-3.8
Sep	805.34	-1.0	475.98	0.8	1055.60	-1.6	1107.87	0.8	803.63	-0.5	763.18	-5.3
Oct	804.22	-0.9	481.33	6.4	1117.10	-0.1	1078.46	18.5	799.73	-2.0	744.30	-6.1
Nov	831.06	1.6	523.45	12.5	1166.86	14.8	1035.05	23.9	822.97	-0.2	783.90	-3.6
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Nov04	792.74		490.11		1015.07		1001.67		790.23		784.64	
Jan-Nov05	807.55		510.62		1039.28		1058.71		801.87		782.65	
% Change	1.9		4.2		2.4		5.7		1.5		-0.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Sci. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62	733.83	592.41	316.51	786.83		610.31	
1998	580.58		714.96		482.05		628.52		749.00	722.20	604.45	329.49	766.52		618.90	
1999	591.72		733.22		503.22		626.49		774.34	735.46	619.15	318.59	791.60		626.78	
2000	606.09		730.18		490.23		676.00		778.07	765.86	634.02	338.34	813.48		638.74	
2001	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	745.01	661.82	344.04	825.38	1.5	648.13	1.5
2002	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	776.12	688.99	334.45	889.63	7.8	668.15	3.1
2003	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	792.62	709.95	350.61	907.26	2.0	683.82	2.3
2004	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	826.06	733.97	362.55	912.24	0.5	686.61	0.4
2004 Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	749.40	735.56	360.72	939.03	5.4	678.67	-0.5
2004 Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	813.34	762.55	336.23	916.07	1.9	685.65	0.5
2004 Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	791.68	749.85	354.70	887.06	-0.7	677.70	-0.6
2004 Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	782.68	749.60	356.77	897.86	-2.2	676.04	-0.5
2004 May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	800.25	748.27	365.48	888.19	-2.7	673.81	-1.5
2004 Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	830.02	719.07	372.22	889.77	-1.2	678.14	-1.3
2004 Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	892.73	708.22	366.15	886.21	0.0	680.96	-0.7
2004 Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	935.34	714.84	367.38	899.91	-0.6	688.27	0.1
2004 Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	858.90	695.21	366.15	918.26	0.7	697.88	1.0
2004 Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	837.18	742.34	363.39	943.64	3.1	704.09	3.0
2004 Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	822.13	738.71	378.44	930.50	0.5	700.51	2.6
2004 Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	841.46	748.44	360.60	952.73	2.9	696.56	2.7
2005 Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	843.61	749.70	387.10	967.71	3.1	708.09	4.3
2005 Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	824.78	746.66	390.46	962.03	5.0	704.90	2.8
2005 Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	823.32	719.44	367.46	963.79	8.6	698.01	3.0
2005 Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	832.55	722.18	366.89	940.60	4.8	700.56	3.6
2005 May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	849.86	712.60	373.82	904.99	1.9	698.81	3.7
2005 Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	861.34	717.39	385.17	929.73	4.5	700.73	3.3
2005 Jul	671.55	3.0	858.11	7.7	516.72	-2.4	714.14	-0.1	920.22	829.97	722.19	396.51	909.58	2.6	698.02	2.5
2005 Aug	679.72	2.7	834.49	1.5	523.27	-0.3	708.77	1.3	940.65	912.96	720.09	403.03	940.92	4.6	702.66	2.1
2005 Sep	685.39	2.6	851.11	1.3	544.32	3.4	732.20	6.2	946.96	841.96	727.04	400.47	974.49	6.1	709.12	1.6
2005 Oct	681.09	0.9	859.82	-1.7	521.85	-2.6	762.02	11.1	942.50	870.55	721.09	402.79	977.40	3.6	705.83	0.2
2005 Nov	689.73	3.0	830.26	-1.7	525.14	-0.5	769.12	10.5	950.38	881.68	736.10	383.96	977.79	5.1	717.66	2.4
2005 Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Nov04	658.15		785.36		523.61		722.09		838.29	828.51	733.11	362.51	908.77		685.61	
Jan-Nov05	677.77		837.10		521.61		731.89		930.89	852.06	726.77	387.06	949.91		704.04	
% Change	3.0		6.6		-0.4		1.4		11.0	2.8	-0.9	6.8	4.5		2.7	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99		12.00		21.23		25.26		18.94		18.60	
1997	19.19		13.71		21.92		24.15		19.12		18.21	
1998	19.25		11.39		22.70		24.80		18.95		18.92	
1999	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2000	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2001	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2002	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2003												
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun	20.15	4.8	12.00	-2.2	23.16	-0.1	27.75	15.2	20.62	6.2	19.20	0.7
Jul	19.62	0.3	12.89	9.4	23.26	-2.2	28.16	15.7	19.98	0.2	18.70	-2.6
Aug	19.69	1.1	12.03	-0.8	22.78	-1.9	29.45	18.1	20.24	3.0	18.83	-3.1
Sep	20.08	-1.1	12.35	-1.0	24.38	0.1	28.49	9.3	20.22	-1.6	19.07	-4.7
Oct	20.12	-1.4	12.24	-0.1	24.97	-3.0	28.24	18.7	20.33	-1.4	18.79	-6.5
Nov	20.72	1.1	13.15	2.1	25.65	7.3	26.84	17.7	20.86	1.1	19.71	-4.1
Dec												
Average:	19.89		12.67		23.91		25.82		19.97		19.73	
Jan-Nov04	20.18		12.72		24.03		27.62		20.26		19.65	
Jan-Nov05	1.5		0.4		0.5		6.9		1.5		-0.4	
% Change												

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

333B	B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE																
	All Service Producing Industries	Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries			
		\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Health and Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																	
1996																	
1997	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13	22.37	18.23	10.12	21.19		16.83		
1998	16.54		18.52		13.58		17.18		19.60	22.07	18.52	10.42	20.93		17.08		
1999	16.78		19.01		14.08		17.11		20.43	21.95	18.85	10.28	21.55		17.28		
2000	17.20		18.69		13.96		18.38		20.36	23.03	19.26	10.82	21.87		17.63		
2001	17.58	2.2	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	22.71	20.20	10.94	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0	
2002	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	23.66	21.03	11.10	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4	
2003	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	24.29	21.96	11.28	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4	
2004	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	25.03	22.06	11.57	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2	
2004 Jan	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	23.32	22.45	11.64	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7	
Feb	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	24.71	22.66	11.47	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1	
Mar	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.06	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	24.17	22.27	11.50	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4	
Apr	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	23.95	22.04	11.48	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2	
May	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	24.52	22.19	11.54	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4	
Jun	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	25.08	21.43	11.72	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4	
Jul	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	25.29	21.46	11.61	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3	
Aug	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	26.55	21.69	11.62	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6	
Sep	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	25.73	21.55	11.74	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3	
Oct	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	25.83	22.06	11.62	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2	
Nov	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	26.07	22.40	11.60	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0	
Dec	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	25.67	22.66	11.28	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1	
2005 Jan	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	25.16	22.35	11.80	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9	
Feb	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	25.06	22.44	11.93	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9	
Mar	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	24.25	21.81	11.78	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3	
Apr	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	25.00	21.54	11.74	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9	
May	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	25.68	21.27	11.81	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9	
Jun	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	25.45	21.56	11.84	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8	
Jul	18.65	1.8	21.48	9.1	14.62	-1.9	19.04	-1.9	23.53	24.52	21.33	11.90	24.69	2.3	18.85	1.5	
Aug	18.96	2.3	21.11	6.2	14.82	0.8	19.02	-1.4	24.47	26.34	21.90	12.00	25.47	4.3	19.11	2.0	
Sep	19.36	2.4	21.36	3.1	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.5	24.73	25.31	21.98	12.42	26.59	5.3	19.50	1.6	
Oct	19.28	1.2	21.40	0.8	15.04	-1.1	20.91	8.9	24.91	25.32	21.83	12.44	26.36	3.2	19.44	0.5	
Nov	19.41	1.5	20.96	-0.2	15.05	-0.2	20.67	6.4	24.84	25.39	22.09	12.43	26.45	4.5	19.67	1.3	
Dec																	
Average:																	
Jan-Nov04	18.70		19.84		14.96		19.80		22.03	25.02	22.02	11.59	24.74		18.94		
Jan-Nov05	19.12		21.12		14.95		19.87		24.30	25.23	21.83	12.01	25.83		19.33		
% Change	2.2		6.5		-0.1		0.4		10.3	0.8	-0.9	3.6	4.4		2.1		

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

Year	B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)										Selected Breakout of Manufacturing										Construction	
	All Goods Prod. Industries (Incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg		
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2	43.7	24.2	126.1		126.1				
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	118.5	-6.0	118.5	-6.0			
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.9	23.3	124.9	5.4	124.9	5.4			
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	118.4	-5.2	118.4	-5.2			
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	113.8	-3.9	113.8	-3.9			
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	111.3	-2.2	111.3	-2.2			
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	110.8	-0.4	110.8	-0.4			
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	117.4	6.0	117.4	6.0			
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	117.4	0.0	117.4	0.0			
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	141.7	20.7	141.7	20.7			
2004	Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	4.4	41.2	49.3	10.5	122.5	15.0	122.5	15.0			
	Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	14.5	10.9	118.5	9.0	118.5	9.0		
	Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	-0.8	29.5	18.0	9.4	123.1	8.1	123.1	8.1			
	Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	0.5	29.1	0.7	49.6	-1.4	10.3	-29.5	22.0	127.5	22.0	
	May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	-1.8	28.5	-6.6	46.9	-12.2	14.2	-3.4	131.7	16.9		
	Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	0.0	45.9	-11.4	14.5	-14.7	148.0	21.4	
	Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	-22.7	49.6	-1.2	13.4	-16.8	152.4	19.2	
	Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	-19.8	44.9	-3.4	11.8	-22.4	154.0	21.8	
	Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	-18.0	44.3	0.9	11.3	-11.0	151.7	26.7	
	Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	-10.6	42.3	-12.8	12.7	-1.6	161.5	28.7	
	Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	3.2	42.2	-15.9	11.2	-1.8	155.6	28.4	
	Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	-5.7	43.3	-6.9	13.2	38.9	153.3	28.1	
2005	Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	-1.1	38.2	-7.3	12.5	159.7	30.4	159.7	30.4			
	Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	-2.9	39.3	24.8	12.5	159.7	34.8	159.7	34.8			
	Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	-4.2	37.4	26.8	12.9	158.5	28.8	158.5	28.8			
	Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	-7.0	33.5	15.1	13.8	165.2	29.6	165.2	29.6			
	May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	-5.9	35.1	23.2	13.7	161.8	22.9	161.8	22.9			
	Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	69.0	12.9	27.7	-7.9	29.9	-1.3	11.0	170.4	15.1	170.4	15.1			
	Jul	484.9	5.5	50.1	17.1	23.5	-13.6	2.1	-16.0	14.3	45.9	-4.6	35.7	45.7	12.3	175.8	15.4	175.8	15.4			
	Aug	480.1	4.3	45.8	6.5	24.1	5.2	1.7	-52.8	14.6	39.0	-6.9	30.6	6.3	12.8	181.1	17.6	181.1	17.6			
	Sep	453.2	2.6	37.4	3.6	21.6	-2.3	1.7	-32.0	13.6	23.6	-5.3	25.3	-5.6	9.7	169.1	11.5	169.1	11.5			
	Oct	455.4	0.1	36.9	-4.2	22.6	4.6	3.2	33.3	14.6	12.3	195.3	-6.9	25.7	-21.9	9.9	171.7	6.3	171.7	6.3		
	Nov	453.1	3.2	30.0	-6.8	17.1	-15.8	1.6	0.0	15.9	19.5	207.3	-0.7	22.8	-35.8	13.3	172.0	10.5	172.0	10.5		
	Dec																					
Average:	430.6		37.0		21.5		3.0		10.6		208.6		30.8	46.8	11.8	140.6		140.6				
Jan-Nov04	454.7		39.7		22.0		1.8		13.8		198.6		32.1	45.7	12.2	167.7		167.7				
% Change	5.6		7.5		2.3		-39.8		29.2		-4.9		4.4	-2.3	3.2	19.3		19.3				

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service			Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Social Services	Food & Bev.	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8	100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	164.2	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	316.0	-3.3	136.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.6	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	210.5	180.2	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	205.2	181.5	105.5	7.5	2,140.8	4.5
Jun	1,695.2	2.3	118.4	-4.7	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	204.9	179.9	99.4	-0.3	2,159.0	2.5
Jul	1,675.2	1.9	130.1	3.7	322.2	-1.4	139.3	6.9	988.7	2.5	130.6	208.6	190.5	95.0	-4.3	2,160.1	2.7
Aug	1,685.8	3.2	126.2	5.2	334.8	5.9	137.9	-0.4	986.4	3.1	127.3	215.5	183.4	100.4	-1.7	2,165.9	3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.2	129.8	8.8	344.1	9.2	129.5	-2.1	995.1	2.1	149.7	217.1	177.5	95.0	-4.1	2,146.8	3.1
Oct	1,710.5	4.5	124.8	5.1	364.2	16.5	131.4	-2.2	998.5	2.7	141.9	219.4	175.8	91.4	-7.5	2,165.9	3.6
Nov	1,714.9	5.0	123.4	8.4	363.9	14.7	133.8	0.5	1,005.0	3.3	147.3	219.3	172.9	89.0	-7.8	2,168.0	4.6
Dec																	
Average:	1,626.4		118.1		320.1		131.1		959.1		134.6	219.2	174.3	98.0		2,057.0	
Jan-Nov04	1,672.1		120.3		332.2		135.9		966.2		145.3	213.2	176.1	95.6		2,126.8	
Jan-Nov05											7.9	-2.8	1.0	-2.5		3.4	
% Change	2.6		1.6		3.6		3.7		3.0								

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	36.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-8.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.6	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	36.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	36.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	36.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	36.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.8
Jun	36.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.5	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.5	13.1	43.4	6.6	35.2	10.0	35.4	-1.1	36.1	-4.0
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.2	-1.2	32.3	2.5	35.0	0.6	35.2	-1.9
Sep	38.2	-0.5	37.2	0.5	43.6	3.8	32.3	-15.0	37.5	-1.6	38.5	0.3
Oct	33.2	-0.6	35.2	-13.5	36.0	-4.0	34.9	40.2	32.1	-1.5	33.3	3.1
Nov	33.6	-1.5	33.5	-8.2	39.5	-0.5	31.5	7.1	32.5	-2.7	33.9	1.2
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Nov04	36.2		36.7		39.2		31.7		35.8		36.3	
Jan-Nov05	36.7		37.0		40.4		35.7		36.3		36.3	
% Change	1.3		0.7		3.2		12.6		1.5		0.1	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.9		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.6	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	35.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.7	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.4	34.0	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.7	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.6	37.5	-1.1	30.5	-4.1	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.0	29.4	5.4	31.0	2.3	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug	29.5	-0.3	35.0	-3.3	30.2	-2.9	31.7	3.6	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	2.2	30.5	5.2	29.0	-8.2	30.9	-0.3
Sep	32.3	-2.1	36.0	-4.8	31.7	-2.5	33.0	-1.2	35.3	-7.8	33.2	1.8	30.4	2.4	30.4	-0.7	32.0	-2.1	33.6	-1.5
Oct	28.4	-3.1	34.3	2.1	29.2	1.4	29.1	-3.0	32.4	4.9	17.7	-34.9	27.0	-0.7	28.3	-2.7	30.0	6.4	29.4	-2.6
Nov	29.6	0.0	33.6	-2.3	29.5	1.4	30.7	3.0	32.0	-0.6	28.0	10.2	28.2	0.4	27.3	-11.1	30.1	4.5	30.4	-0.7
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Nov04	31.1		36.4		31.1		32.2		35.2		25.8		28.9		29.2		31.9		32.2	
Jan-Nov05	31.4		36.4		30.9		32.9		34.9		27.5		29.9		29.5		32.4		32.6	
% Change	1.2		-0.1		-0.4		2.1		-0.8		6.3		3.4		1.2		1.6		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

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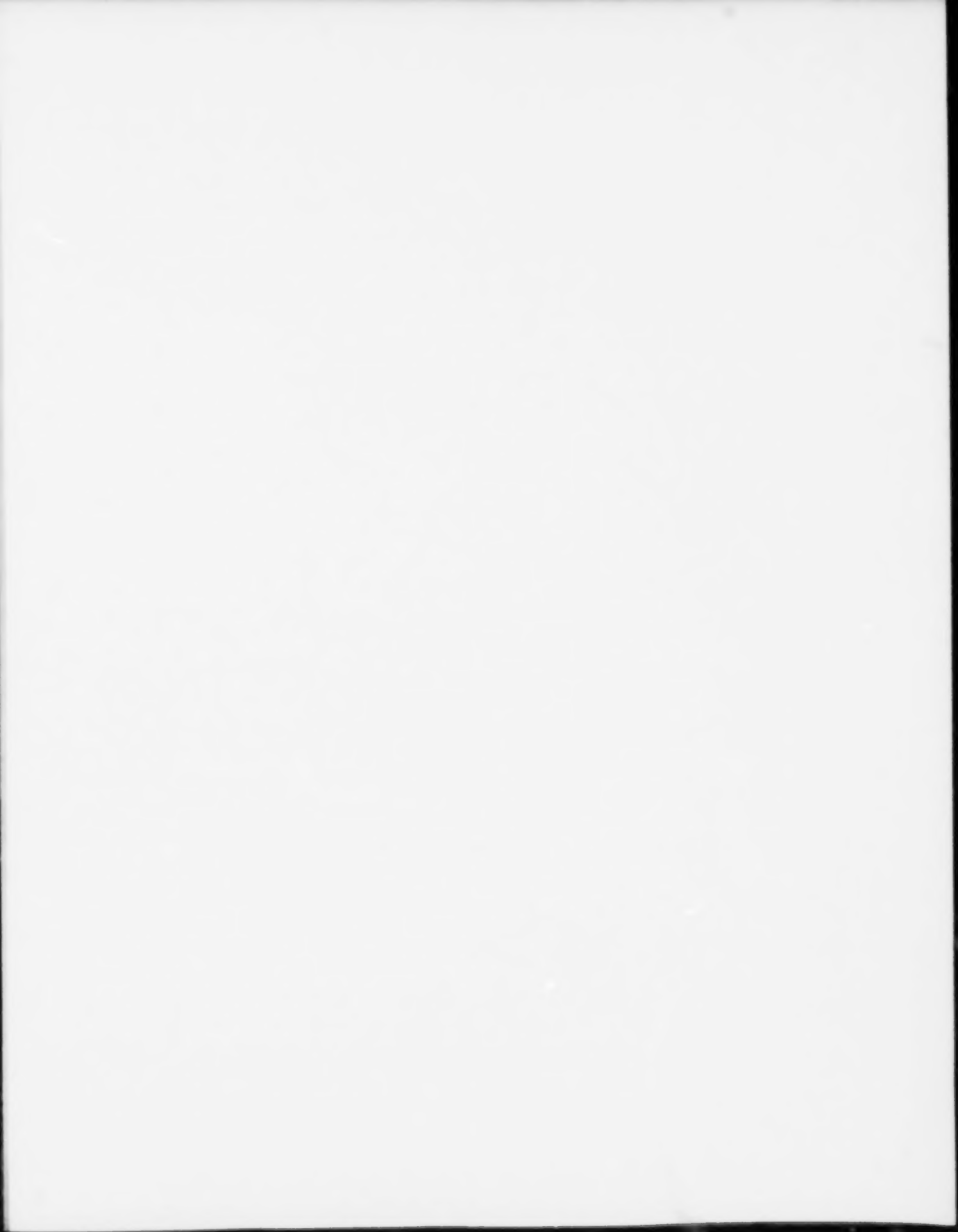
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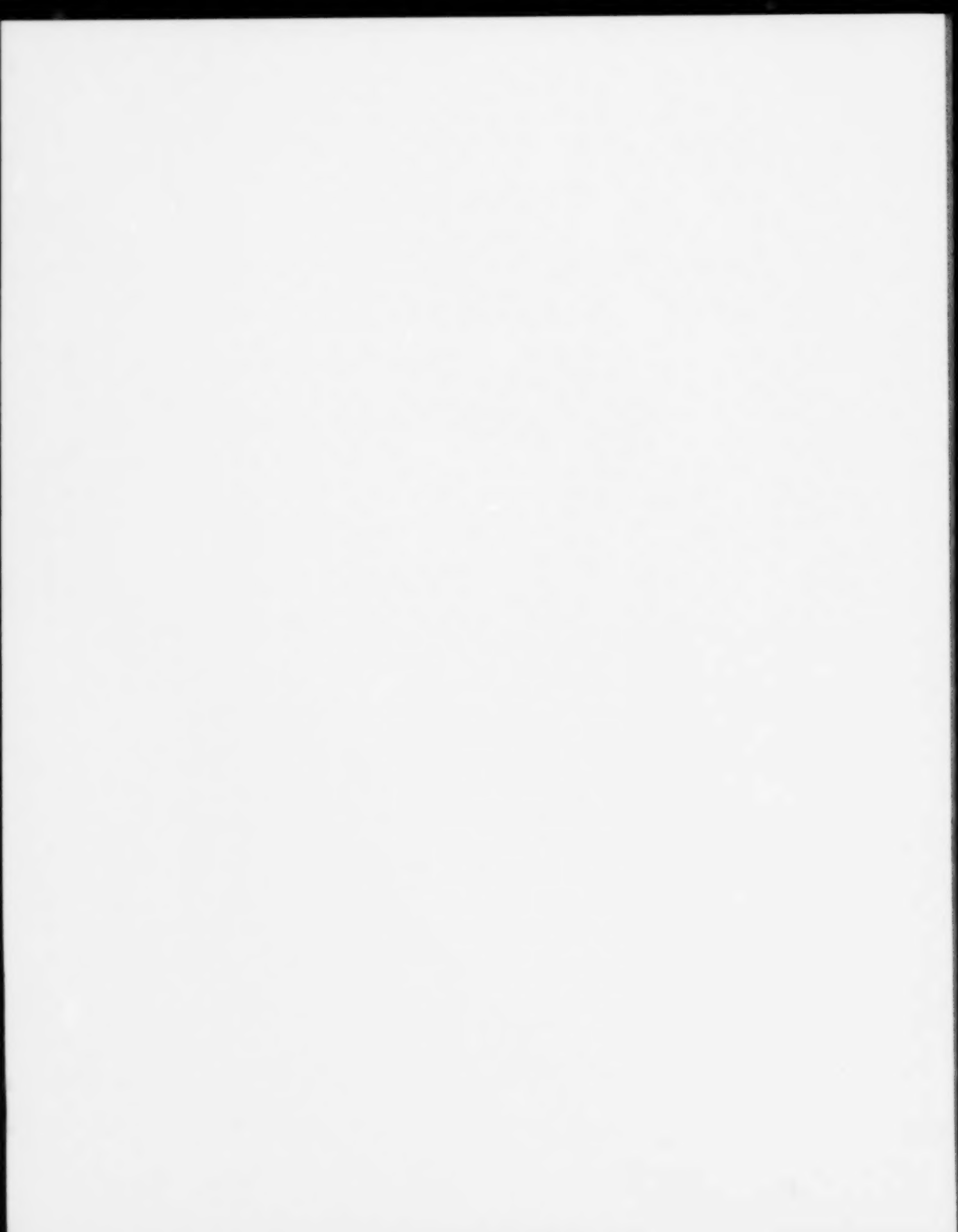
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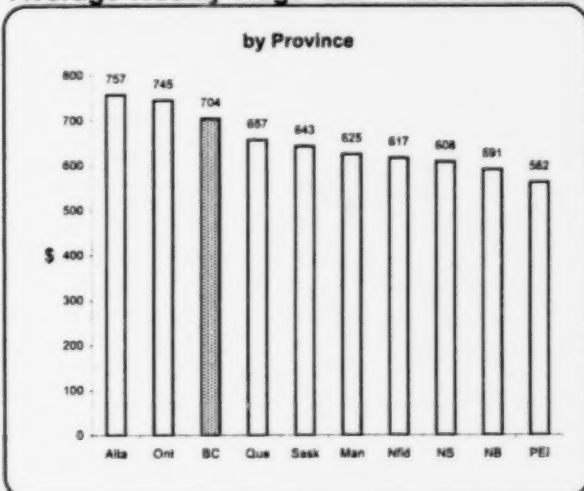
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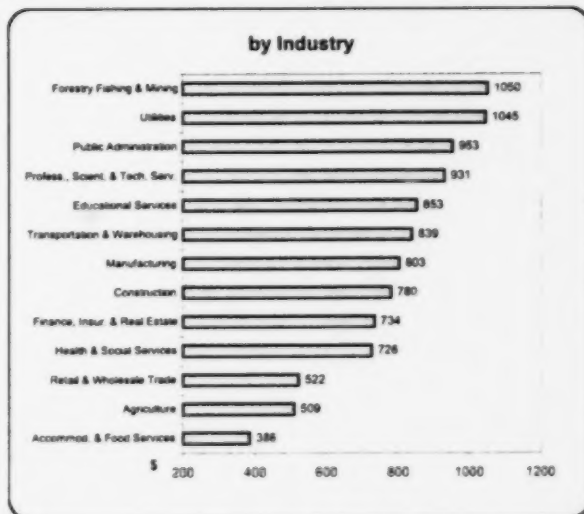
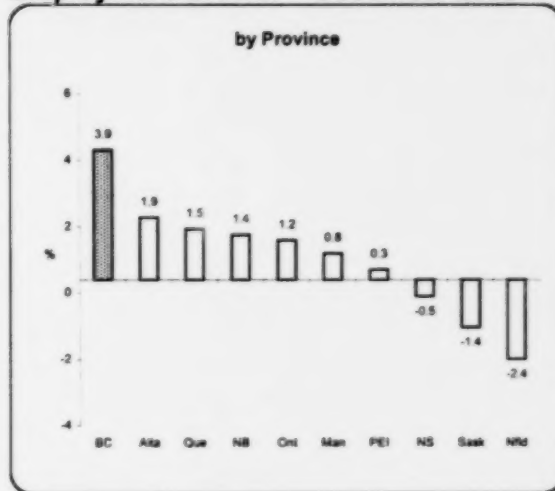


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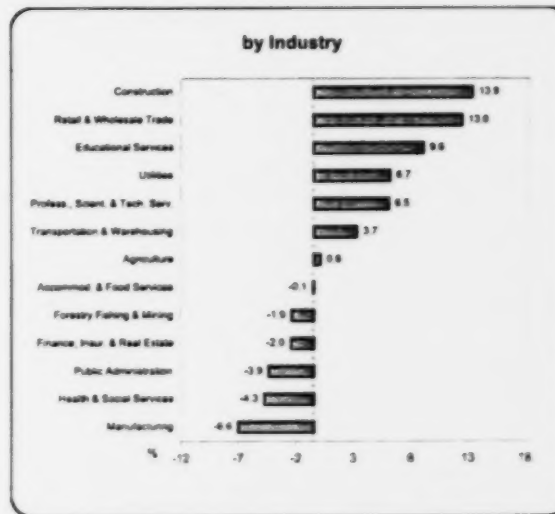
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - December 2005



Employment Growth* - December 2005



* Latest 12 month average



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

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Feature Article: The Current Labour Market Boom in BC: Are Aboriginal People Benefitting?

The Current Labour Market Boom in BC Are Aboriginal Peoples Benefiting?

Background

The labour market in BC has shown strong growth over the last year, so much so that the unemployment rate in the 4th quarter was 5.0 per cent, the lowest it has been for at least the last 30 years. While most industries have benefited from the boom, the drivers appear to be the construction industry (annual employment growth of 19%), the Professional, Scientific and Technical Services Industries, the Education Industry and the Primary Industries all of which have grown at an annual rate exceeding 6 per cent in the past year.

As some of this growth is likely attributable to the preparation activities leading up to the 2010 Olympics, the growth is by no means concentrated in the Lower Mainland alone. In fact, while the Lower Mainland grew at a respectable rate of 2.6 per cent in 2005, it was overshadowed by a stellar growth rate of 4.8 per cent in the rest of the province.

The demographic groups who have gained the most from the employment boom are the men whose unemployment rate in 2005 fell below the rate for women (5.8% vs 5.9%, which reverses the trend of the last decade when the rate for men always exceeded the rate for women) and the young, those aged 15-24. Over the last decade the annual average unemployment rate for youth has been consistently well above 13 per cent but in 2005 it dropped to 10.1 per cent. Jobs for that age group grew by close to 8 per cent from the year before.

For Aboriginal peoples, many promises have been made that they too will benefit from the economic spin-offs of the Olympic Games. This article looks at how much Aboriginal people have participated in the labour market good fortune enjoyed by the general population in 2005.

The data used for this analysis is from an expansion of the Labour Force Survey program maintained by Statistics Canada, which has been producing estimates on Aboriginal labour market activity since the 2nd quarter of 2004. The British Columbia Government has provided short-term funding to April 2006 to increase the sample size and improve the quality of the of the information in BC. Unfortunately, the survey covers only the off-reserve population and this, alongside the short time-frame, limits the rigor of the analysis. However, the data do give some indication of how Aboriginal people have been faring in the BC workforce in recent months.

Aboriginal Peoples¹ Employment Gains in 2005²

The unemployment rate of off-reserve Aboriginal peoples for the nine month period from April to December 2005 was 13.7 per cent. While this rate seems very high when compared to the non-Aboriginal rate during the same period (5.2%), improvements have been made. The gap has decreased from 10.1 to 8.5 percentage

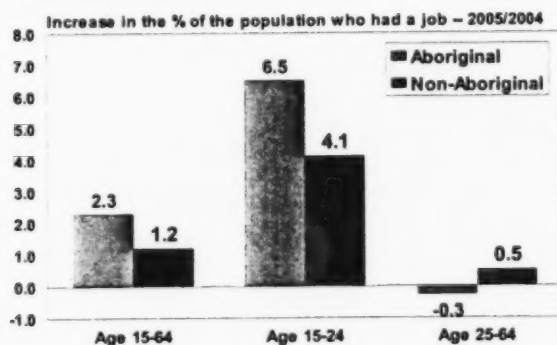
¹ Off-reserve Aboriginal peoples only.

² Because the quarterly data commenced in the 2nd Q of 2004, the 2005 data includes only the last 3 quarters of 2005 so it is consistent with the comparative 2004 data.

points in 2005. And at the time of the 2001 Census, the unemployment rate gap for the same cohort was 12.4 percentage points. At that time, only four years ago, the off-reserve Aboriginal population had an unemployment rate of 20.4 per cent. While the unemployment rate reveals one aspect of economic conditions, probably a more telling indicator is the employment rate which measures the per cent of the population that is working. In the first 9 months of 2005 that rate increased by 2.3 percentage points over the same period of 2004, which was twice the rate of improvement enjoyed by the non-Aboriginal population (1.2 ppt).

The chart below demonstrated the similarity between the Aboriginal and the non-Aboriginal populations with youth making substantial gains while the adult population showing little change.

Between 2004 and 2005 employment among the Aboriginal community increased by 2.3 percentage points, compared to only 1.2 percentage points for non-Aboriginal peoples. It appears as though Aboriginal youth (age 15-24), were the principal beneficiaries. An additional 6.5% of their youth found work in 2005.

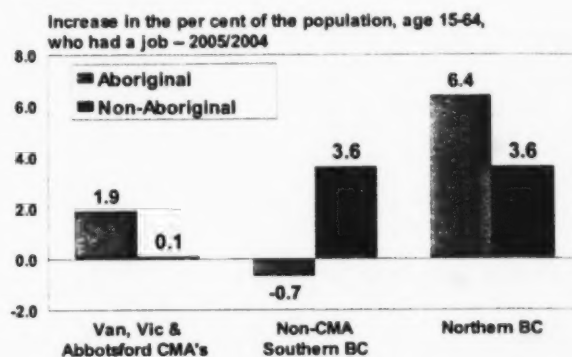


However, the trend has been different between the genders among Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples. Aboriginal women made all the gains in 2005, increasing their employment rate by 5 percentage points, while Aboriginal men

did not appear to reap any of the benefits of the 2005 job boom.

The labour market success of Aboriginal peoples has varied in the different regions of BC.

The northern part of the province has benefited most from BC's economic boom of the past year. Off-reserve Aboriginals living in the North showed the most significant increase in their employment rates.



Across the province, Northern BC has shown very strong growth, particularly among Aboriginal peoples. Approximately 6 per cent more of the off-reserve Aboriginal population were employed in the April to December period of 2005 compared to the same period of 2004. Aboriginal youth living in the North did even better than that, increasing their employment rate by approximately 11 percentage points. Unfortunately, the sample size of the Labour Force Survey does not allow for any more in-depth analysis as to why there are such pronounced regional differences in the labour market success of Aboriginal peoples.

While the Labour Force Survey data coverage and quality are limited because of the small sample size, it is the only source of labour market indicators for Aboriginal peoples outside of the Census. Fortunately, the timing of the 2010 games

fits in perfectly with the timing of the Census cycle set for 2011 ,which will provide information on who had a job in 2010. But between now and then, there will be very little information available on the current labour market status of Aboriginal Peoples in BC after funding for the Labour Force Survey program runs out in April 2006.

SUMMARY TRENDS

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	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate			Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
	Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
	% Change			% Change			% Change			%		
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.4	1.7	1.5
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.5	0.9	1.5
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.2	2.1	2.3
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.0	2.5	1.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	2.1	2.6	1.5
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4			3.9			0.5	1.9	2.6	2.5
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8			2.7			-0.2	-0.4	1.3	0.0
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	1.5	3.2	2.6	-0.2	0.6	1.0	2.0	2.4	-0.3
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	-0.8	0.0	2.8	2.3	0.9
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.6	0.7	-0.5	2.3	1.8	1.1
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.5	2.6	1.6	-2.0	1.3	-0.3	3.7	1.8	0.8
2004 Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.5	2.7	2.2	-0.9	2.0	0.5	1.8	1.5	0.7
2004 Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.6	3.1	0.9	-1.4	2.4	-0.8	1.0	1.4	0.7
2004 Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.5	3.0	2.4	-2.2	1.3	0.1	1.2	1.9	0.7
2004 May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.5	2.4	3.6	-3.9	-0.1	0.5	2.5	2.2	0.9
2004 Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.3	2.9	0.5	-4.0	0.5	-2.7	3.6	2.0	1.0
2004 Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.3	2.6	-3.0	0.0	-0.4	3.0	2.2	1.5
2004 Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.1	2.0	3.2	-1.9	0.2	0.5	2.5	2.1	1.5
2004 Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.0	2.3	2.0	-0.8	0.5	-0.6	2.8	2.1	1.4
2004 Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.0	2.4	2.9	0.5	0.1	-0.3	1.9	1.9	1.3
2004 Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.6	2.9	0.9	0.2	0.4	-2.6	1.9	1.6	1.3
2004 Dec	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.7	2.6	3.2	0.5	0.4	-0.1	1.6	1.4	1.3
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.3	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.1	0.8	1.8	1.4	1.3
2005 Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.6	1.5	0.7	0.4	-1.5	3.4	1.5	1.3
2005 Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	0.9	0.3	-0.5	3.3	1.6	1.6
2005 Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.0	3.0	1.6	0.6	-0.5	4.0	1.3	1.8
2005 May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.1	-0.5	4.1	1.3	2.0
2005 Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.3	3.5	2.9	1.8	1.8	0.4	2.7	1.3	1.8
2005 Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.5	3.8	2.6	0.6	1.7	-0.5	2.7	1.2	1.8
2005 Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.1	4.2	1.7	0.0	1.6	-1.9	3.4	1.5	2.1
2005 Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	1.6	4.2	3.6	-0.8	0.8	-1.0	3.1	1.2	2.1
2005 Oct	2.3	2.6	4.3	0.2	4.1	4.3	-2.0	1.4	-0.1	3.3	1.4	2.0
2005 Nov	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.4	3.9	3.6	0.4	1.9	0.2	4.3	1.6	1.7
2005 Dec				1.4	4.0	2.8				3.8	1.4	1.9

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995																						
1996	571.55		610.31		561.61		501.55		506.44		603.57		547.12		488.74		478.37		438.32		495.30	
1997	579.76	1.4	618.90	1.4	573.81	2.2	508.28	1.3	515.90	1.9	610.42	1.1	555.73	1.6	498.50	2.0	492.99	3.1	445.01	1.5	493.39	-0.4
1998	595.97	2.8	626.78	1.3	594.55	3.6	525.80	3.4	531.75	3.1	633.11	3.7	565.26	1.7	506.81	1.7	503.08	2.0	461.14	3.6	497.98	0.9
1999	615.76	3.3	638.74	1.9	617.03	3.8	545.99	3.8	551.21	3.7	656.82	3.7	579.64	2.5	533.35	5.2	523.19	4.0	473.36	2.6	526.25	5.7
2000	635.51	3.2	648.13	1.5	652.61	5.8	572.12	4.8	562.31	2.0	678.29	3.3	596.49	2.9	537.65	0.8	542.92	3.8	495.46	4.7	549.64	4.4
2001	649.95	2.3	668.15	3.1	684.11	4.8	585.64	2.4	574.99	2.3	689.76	1.7	606.45	1.7	546.90	1.7	558.34	2.8	508.03	2.5	567.02	3.2
2002	662.56	1.9	683.82	2.3	688.02	0.6	604.68	3.3	588.50	2.3	701.44	1.7	619.76	2.2	561.61	2.7	574.07	2.8	538.21	5.9	588.69	3.8
2003	679.74	2.6	686.61	0.4	703.72	2.3	626.86	3.7	612.88	4.1	720.70	2.7	641.65	3.5	573.22	2.1	589.29	2.7	562.31	4.5	588.40	0.0
2004																						
Jan	673.97	2.6	678.67	-0.5	693.98	1.1	631.17	7.1	601.33	5.1	720.19	3.7	626.87	1.9	573.00	2.8	581.27	3.8	558.42	6.2	584.09	0.3
Feb	675.65	2.7	685.65	0.5	686.98	-0.8	643.99	7.9	608.43	4.7	725.00	4.4	624.09	1.7	567.60	2.8	581.62	5.1	564.71	5.2	581.26	1.1
Mar	677.74	3.1	677.70	-0.6	691.43	0.3	634.23	5.4	613.77	5.2	727.86	5.2	629.83	2.3	570.31	2.0	587.25	3.4	562.75	3.9	588.20	2.0
Apr	679.02	3.0	676.04	-0.5	690.40	1.1	622.13	5.2	620.42	6.4	728.34	4.2	633.93	3.0	571.64	2.2	592.27	3.5	562.19	0.7	607.64	3.1
May	677.82	2.4	673.81	-1.5	688.49	2.4	622.22	3.9	616.56	5.8	724.34	3.3	637.62	2.6	561.80	0.0	593.86	1.6	560.30	3.6	589.10	-1.0
Jun	677.61	2.9	678.14	-1.3	693.95	2.1	625.79	5.1	619.27	5.9	721.53	3.8	641.64	3.7	558.71	-0.2	593.70	3.0	563.12	6.3	586.23	-0.2
Jul	676.43	2.3	680.96	-0.7	703.88	2.4	627.79	3.7	621.94	4.9	712.76	2.0	646.39	4.0	568.09	2.9	590.83	1.6	546.34	3.1	568.75	-0.2
Aug	679.51	2.0	688.27	0.1	712.26	2.6	623.71	2.7	619.08	4.4	712.94	1.4	650.06	3.9	570.52	0.5	592.75	2.1	554.93	4.4	581.81	0.3
Sep	684.44	2.3	697.88	1.0	712.58	2.7	622.60	3.1	610.86	2.6	721.45	1.5	651.08	4.3	577.66	1.6	594.54	3.2	561.59	3.8	592.66	-2.3
Oct	683.44	2.4	704.09	3.0	718.49	3.1	623.98	1.5	614.34	2.7	713.80	1.0	651.11	4.4	589.81	4.8	588.84	2.4	571.52	5.7	600.80	1.1
Nov	685.82	2.9	700.51	2.6	719.81	4.6	623.15	0.0	604.00	1.2	720.16	1.6	653.63	5.3	586.35	2.6	587.03	1.8	575.46	5.9	595.80	-1.0
Dec	685.05	2.6	696.56	2.7	721.36	5.7	617.82	-0.8	604.18	1.0	720.70	1.1	651.68	4.8	583.08	2.9	586.34	0.8	567.99	4.8	588.64	-1.0
2005																						
Jan	694.47	3.0	708.09	4.3	734.18	5.8	627.40	-0.6	604.85	0.6	736.24	2.2	649.80	3.7	585.91	2.3	589.73	1.5	584.46	4.7	597.02	2.2
Feb	692.92	2.6	704.90	2.8	738.43	7.5	640.30	-0.6	611.94	0.6	732.84	1.1	647.14	3.7	577.09	1.7	586.62	0.9	583.72	3.4	596.71	2.7
Mar	695.39	2.6	698.01	3.0	736.21	6.5	634.50	0.0	620.64	1.1	736.22	1.1	653.44	3.7	580.47	1.8	601.61	2.4	578.38	2.8	611.15	3.9
Apr	699.65	3.0	700.56	3.6	747.86	8.3	624.71	-0.4	623.41	0.5	742.81	2.0	653.35	3.1	575.44	0.7	612.67	3.4	572.45	1.8	603.45	-0.7
May	696.25	2.7	698.81	3.7	744.93	6.6	634.56	2.0	619.77	0.5	734.67	1.4	654.94	2.7	582.32	3.7	609.76	2.7	557.91	-0.4	613.30	4.1
Jun	701.45	3.5	700.73	3.3	749.42	8.0	644.07	2.9	632.07	2.1	741.85	2.8	656.81	2.4	593.60	6.2	619.92	4.4	547.65	-2.7	627.41	7.0
Jul	701.94	3.8	698.02	2.5	757.21	7.6	645.41	2.8	625.82	0.6	746.86	4.8	653.14	1.0	585.61	3.1	611.30	3.5	537.62	-1.6	613.44	7.9
Aug	708.30	4.2	702.66	2.1	762.15	7.0	647.85	3.9	633.06	2.3	753.10	5.6	660.91	1.7	595.22	4.3	609.80	2.9	546.20	-1.6	631.37	8.5
Sep	713.23	4.2	709.12	1.6	775.13	8.8	655.92	5.4	640.49	4.9	757.08	4.9	661.26	1.6	609.04	5.4	615.79	3.6	549.82	-2.1	632.33	6.7
Oct	711.14	4.1	705.83	0.2	774.86	7.8	647.85	3.8	626.17	1.9	752.47	5.4	665.54	2.2	599.63	1.7	615.96	4.6	560.19	-2.0	626.04	4.2
Nov	712.77	3.9	717.66	2.4	780.28	8.4	652.69	4.7	631.67	4.6	751.42	4.3	663.86	1.6	601.54	2.6	608.77	3.7	567.78	-1.3	626.31	5.1
Dec	712.53	4.0	706.03	1.4	786.28	9.0	659.22	6.7	632.12	4.6	752.18	4.4	663.32	1.8	604.10	3.6	615.57	5.0	562.38	-1.0	623.09	5.9
Average:																						
Jan-Dec04	679.71		686.52		703.63		626.97		612.85		720.76		641.49		573.21		589.19		562.44		588.75	
Jan-Dec05	703.34		704.20		757.25		642.87		625.17		744.81		656.96		590.83		608.13		562.38		616.80	
% Change	3.5		2.6		7.6		2.5		2.0		3.3		2.4		3.1		3.2		0.0		4.8	

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	15.53		16.83		14.76		13.48		13.72		16.28		15.26		12.91		12.81		11.71		13.16	
1996	15.72	1.2	17.08	1.5	15.13	2.5	13.69	1.6	13.98	1.9	16.43	0.9	15.42	1.0	13.14	1.8	13.14	2.6	11.85	1.2	13.06	-0.8
1997	16.13	2.6	17.28	1.2	15.76	4.2	14.19	3.7	14.45	3.4	16.97	3.3	15.67	1.6	13.35	1.6	13.39	1.9	12.20	3.0	13.09	0.2
1998	16.65	3.2	17.63	2.0	16.28	3.3	14.73	3.8	14.96	3.5	17.58	3.6	16.07	2.6	14.00	4.9	13.99	4.5	12.61	3.4	13.76	5.1
1999	17.21	3.4	17.98	2.0	17.11	5.1	15.36	4.3	15.35	2.6	18.16	3.3	16.64	3.5	14.21	1.5	14.52	3.8	13.20	4.7	14.32	4.1
2000	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.98	5.1	15.83	3.1	15.73	2.5	18.53	2.0	16.98	2.0	14.47	1.8	14.82	2.1	13.59	3.0	14.87	3.8
2001	18.05	2.2	19.03	2.4	18.14	0.9	16.41	3.7	16.06	2.1	18.88	1.9	17.44	2.7	14.80	2.3	15.42	4.0	14.51	6.8	15.46	4.0
2002	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.55	2.3	16.93	3.2	16.76	4.4	19.42	2.9	18.00	3.2	15.18	2.6	15.82	2.6	15.08	3.9	15.46	0.0
2003																						
2004																						
Jan	18.50	2.8	19.05	-0.7	18.38	1.5	17.15	5.4	16.71	5.5	19.49	3.8	17.63	2.8	15.36	3.4	15.90	4.6	15.39	5.6	15.76	0.8
Feb	18.53	2.6	19.15	-0.1	18.12	-0.8	17.33	6.2	16.80	5.3	19.61	4.1	17.79	2.2	15.29	3.1	15.91	4.8	15.49	4.2	15.58	0.4
Mar	18.52	2.8	18.79	-1.4	18.28	0.7	17.20	5.1	16.90	4.8	19.61	4.6	17.88	2.6	15.25	2.3	15.95	3.4	15.56	3.9	15.95	2.3
Apr	18.55	2.9	18.79	-1.2	18.30	1.0	17.01	4.4	16.99	6.3	19.65	4.2	17.89	3.1	15.31	2.3	16.10	4.5	15.49	3.0	16.02	1.2
May	18.45	2.6	18.71	-1.4	18.46	3.1	16.77	3.8	16.86	5.7	19.49	3.6	17.91	3.0	14.92	0.7	15.83	1.9	14.69	2.1	15.57	-0.5
Jun	18.38	3.3	18.65	-1.4	18.44	3.4	16.78	4.7	16.88	6.4	19.37	4.0	17.92	4.1	14.75	1.3	15.76	3.0	14.71	4.8	15.31	0.6
Jul	18.19	2.4	18.58	-1.3	18.27	2.1	16.69	3.9	16.66	4.8	19.10	2.7	17.80	3.9	14.91	4.5	15.53	1.5	14.32	2.7	14.67	-1.1
Aug	18.22	2.1	18.73	-0.6	18.47	2.6	16.61	2.9	16.58	4.9	19.04	1.8	17.87	3.4	14.87	1.9	15.51	1.7	14.48	3.9	14.80	0.3
Sep	18.59	1.9	19.19	-0.3	18.80	2.2	16.91	1.9	16.72	2.8	19.44	1.5	18.18	3.3	15.18	2.6	15.90	3.0	14.84	2.9	15.30	-2.0
Oct	18.61	2.0	19.34	1.2	18.96	2.4	16.95	1.6	16.80	3.7	19.33	1.4	18.22	2.8	15.48	4.4	15.79	2.1	15.14	4.1	15.58	0.0
Nov	18.71	2.5	19.41	2.0	19.05	3.9	16.90	-0.6	16.64	1.9	19.45	1.9	18.35	4.0	15.48	2.4	15.85	1.3	15.59	4.5	15.67	-0.8
Dec	18.74	2.3	19.41	2.1	19.02	5.2	16.85	-1.2	16.59	0.5	19.52	1.3	18.38	3.8	15.46	2.0	15.79	-0.1	15.56	4.8	15.67	-0.5
2005																						
Jan	19.02	2.8	19.60	2.9	19.45	5.8	17.04	-0.6	16.59	-0.7	19.98	2.5	18.40	3.2	15.57	1.4	16.02	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.08	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.51	1.9	19.44	7.3	17.26	-0.4	17.01	1.3	19.83	1.1	18.44	3.7	15.57	1.8	15.95	0.3	16.03	3.5	16.15	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.23	2.3	19.40	6.1	17.15	-0.3	17.30	2.4	19.98	1.9	18.53	3.6	15.58	2.2	16.21	1.6	15.97	2.6	16.31	2.3
Apr	19.09	2.9	19.33	2.9	19.70	7.7	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.10	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.46	1.0	16.37	1.7	15.84	2.3	16.14	0.7
May	18.88	2.3	19.26	2.9	19.52	5.7	17.01	1.4	17.05	1.1	19.76	1.4	18.28	2.1	15.39	3.2	16.15	2.0	15.09	2.7	16.07	3.2
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.18	2.8	19.51	5.8	17.23	2.7	17.17	1.7	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.5	15.54	5.4	16.36	3.8	14.61	-0.7	15.90	3.9
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.85	1.5	19.44	6.4	17.13	2.6	16.98	1.9	19.81	3.7	18.10	1.7	15.26	2.3	16.08	3.4	14.28	-0.3	15.43	5.2
Aug	18.69	3.7	19.11	2.0	19.57	6.0	17.10	3.0	17.10	4.1	19.92	4.6	18.16	1.6	15.43	3.8	16.08	3.7	14.31	-1.2	15.92	7.6
Sep	19.29	3.8	19.50	1.6	20.07	6.8	17.54	3.7	17.40	3.1	20.34	4.6	18.48	1.7	15.90	4.7	16.46	3.5	14.63	-1.4	16.48	7.7
Oct	19.33	3.5	19.44	0.5	20.17	6.4	17.56	3.6	17.26	2.7	20.29	5.0	18.71	2.7	15.78	1.9	16.51	4.6	14.93	-1.4	16.31	4.7
Nov	19.44	3.9	19.67	1.3	20.33	6.7	17.59	4.1	17.37	4.4	20.36	4.7	18.82	2.6	15.92	2.8	16.48	4.0	15.40	-1.2	16.59	5.9
Dec	19.45	3.8	19.52	0.6	20.45	7.5	17.77	5.5	17.56	5.8	20.38	4.4	18.77	2.1	16.13	4.3	16.47	4.3	15.50	-0.4	16.43	4.9
Average:																						
Jan-Dec04	18.50		18.98		18.55		16.93		16.76		19.43		18.00		15.19		15.82		15.11		15.49	
Jan-Dec05	19.09		19.35		19.75		17.28		17.17		20.05		18.44		15.63		16.26		15.21		16.15	
% Change	3.2		1.9		6.5		2.0		2.4		3.2		2.4		2.9		2.8		0.7		4.3	

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	13,271.0		1,786.1		1,363.4		457.9		515.2		5,092.5		3,122.2		307.3		374.5		57.1		194.9	
1996	13,391.6	0.9	1,813.3	1.5	1,403.7	3.0	456.3	-0.3	515.9	0.1	5,158.1	1.3	3,116.8	-0.2	305.4	-0.6	375.7	0.3	58.7	2.8	187.7	-3.7
1997	13,676.5	2.1	1,854.0	2.2	1,450.2	3.3	465.5	2.0	523.7	1.5	5,283.3	2.4	3,162.4	1.5	309.4	1.3	381.0	1.4	58.6	-0.2	188.3	0.3
1998	14,019.2	2.5	1,853.5	0.0	1,507.7	4.0	469.9	0.9	532.8	1.7	5,450.9	3.2	3,242.9	2.5	315.7	2.0	393.8	3.4	59.5	1.5	192.4	2.2
1999	14,389.8	2.6	1,893.1	2.1	1,542.2	2.3	471.6	0.4	540.0	1.4	5,632.8	3.3	3,320.1	2.4	325.7	3.2	403.2	2.4	60.2	1.2	200.8	4.4
2000	14,758.6	2.6	1,930.0	1.9	1,583.6	2.7	473.6	0.4	551.7	2.2	5,814.0	3.2	3,402.2	2.5	331.4	1.8	411.1	2.0	62.8	4.3	198.1	-1.3
2001	14,946.7	1.3	1,922.1	-0.4	1,630.0	2.9	460.6	-2.7	554.3	0.5	5,925.6	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.6	-0.2	415.4	1.0	63.7	1.4	204.2	3.1
2002	15,307.9	2.4	1,960.1	2.0	1,671.5	2.5	468.3	1.7	567.4	2.4	6,035.2	1.8	3,568.0	3.7	342.9	3.7	422.4	1.7	66.1	2.3	212.4	2.4
2003	15,665.1	2.3	2,014.2	2.8	1,717.9	2.8	475.4	1.5	570.6	0.6	6,208.3	2.9	3,625.1	1.6	343.8	0.3	431.3	2.1	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004	15,949.7	1.8	2,059.7	2.3	1,757.9	2.3	479.9	0.9	576.0	0.9	6,316.3	1.7	3,685.9	1.7	350.4	1.9	441.6	2.4	66.7	0.9	215.2	1.3
2004 Jan	15,468.9	1.8	2,012.2	3.8	1,708.7	2.5	463.4	0.1	562.0	1.0	6,177.9	1.9	3,536.3	0.9	330.8	0.6	418.2	1.4	60.3	1.9	199.1	2.6
Feb	15,541.3	1.6	1,997.0	1.7	1,721.2	2.4	485.3	0.2	563.5	0.6	6,211.7	1.7	3,571.5	1.2	331.9	1.1	419.7	1.7	60.5	1.2	199.2	1.5
Mar	15,560.3	1.4	2,010.7	1.0	1,727.5	3.0	466.3	0.0	566.0	0.7	6,179.7	1.0	3,569.9	1.8	334.4	1.4	423.3	1.9	61.1	1.7	201.5	2.4
Apr	15,684.4	1.9	2,008.4	1.2	1,734.9	3.5	471.9	1.0	569.5	0.5	6,230.9	1.8	3,644.3	2.3	333.0	1.2	428.9	1.4	60.9	0.5	201.7	1.0
May	16,039.1	2.1	2,049.4	2.3	1,767.5	2.6	486.1	0.5	582.2	0.4	6,347.7	1.8	3,718.6	2.4	352.9	4.6	447.2	2.8	68.8	0.3	218.8	2.1
Jun	16,300.3	1.9	2,105.4	3.5	1,792.4	2.5	491.9	0.4	586.2	0.8	6,420.4	1.9	3,773.1	1.2	366.7	2.1	459.2	3.0	71.6	-3.4	233.5	0.6
Jul	16,342.7	2.1	2,103.7	3.0	1,779.6	1.8	490.1	0.4	578.9	-0.3	6,436.0	2.5	3,803.6	1.6	369.9	1.9	462.9	3.9	72.4	-0.4	245.6	4.0
Aug	16,268.3	1.9	2,093.2	2.4	1,792.2	2.6	489.7	0.6	582.0	0.4	6,418.1	1.8	3,760.5	1.8	371.3	3.7	457.1	2.8	73.0	-0.9	231.3	0.2
Sep	16,067.0	2.0	2,082.7	2.7	1,775.8	2.6	483.0	1.4	580.4	1.8	6,307.6	1.6	3,735.7	2.2	362.0	2.5	449.3	3.0	70.1	1.4	220.3	-0.3
Oct	16,099.2	1.9	2,091.6	1.9	1,761.5	1.6	485.7	2.1	582.1	1.4	6,362.9	1.9	3,729.2	2.1	355.6	1.7	447.2	2.6	68.9	1.8	214.4	0.1
Nov	16,035.6	1.6	2,072.9	1.9	1,767.5	1.7	484.6	2.5	580.8	2.5	6,357.4	1.7	3,703.7	1.2	350.0	0.4	444.0	2.6	66.9	3.7	207.8	0.0
Dec	15,989.6	1.5	2,089.7	1.6	1,766.3	1.3	481.4	2.3	578.2	1.6	6,345.8	1.4	3,665.0	1.4	346.1	1.9	442.6	1.4	65.6	2.8	208.9	1.6
2005 Jan	15,695.5	1.5	2,053.3	2.0	1,743.6	2.0	474.2	2.3	567.8	1.0	6,223.7	0.7	3,611.1	2.1	332.4	0.5	427.1	2.1	62.6	3.8	199.8	0.4
Feb	15,784.5	1.6	2,067.3	3.5	1,751.1	1.7	476.7	2.5	573.1	1.7	6,265.3	0.9	3,631.8	1.7	333.3	0.4	425.6	1.4	63.0	4.1	197.2	-1.0
Mar	15,800.8	1.5	2,077.3	3.3	1,760.2	1.9	479.5	2.8	568.8	0.5	6,256.3	1.2	3,632.6	1.2	333.3	-0.3	428.0	1.1	63.4	3.8	201.5	0.0
Apr	15,898.9	1.4	2,090.6	4.1	1,758.9	1.4	476.2	0.9	570.1	0.1	6,312.7	1.3	3,656.6	0.3	336.2	1.0	434.3	1.3	63.2	3.8	200.0	-0.8
May	16,289.7	1.6	2,140.8	4.5	1,801.8	1.9	494.2	1.7	586.9	0.8	6,459.9	1.8	3,707.7	-0.3	359.0	1.7	454.4	1.6	70.4	2.3	214.8	-1.8
Jun	16,499.3	1.2	2,159.0	2.5	1,816.6	1.4	497.7	1.2	588.7	0.4	6,508.0	1.4	3,801.6	0.8	363.5	-0.9	457.7	-0.3	73.3	2.4	233.1	-0.2
Jul	16,528.7	1.1	2,160.1	2.7	1,817.2	2.1	496.8	1.4	596.6	1.7	6,486.3	0.8	3,837.0	0.9	368.1	-0.5	458.3	-1.0	73.9	2.1	242.5	-1.3
Aug	16,507.3	1.5	2,165.9	3.5	1,811.9	1.1	492.2	0.5	587.0	0.9	6,510.0	1.4	3,810.2	1.3	367.6	-1.0	462.0	1.1	73.8	1.1	226.8	-1.9
Sep	16,266.1	1.2	2,146.8	3.1	1,788.4	0.7	479.7	-0.7	581.9	0.3	6,417.5	1.7	3,757.0	0.6	357.2	-1.3	444.6	-1.0	70.8	1.0	222.2	0.9
Oct	16,330.3	1.4	2,165.9	3.6	1,792.3	1.7	479.5	-1.3	583.1	0.2	6,466.8	1.6	3,757.3	0.8	351.6	-1.1	448.5	0.3	69.6	1.0	215.9	0.7
Nov	16,295.0	1.6	2,168.0	4.6	1,795.6	1.6	478.8	-1.2	583.1	0.4	6,458.8	1.6	3,735.1	0.8	352.2	0.6	442.1	-0.4	67.0	0.1	214.2	3.1
Dec	16,231.5	1.5	2,171.5	3.9	1,799.5	1.9	474.5	-1.4	582.8	0.8	6,421.2	1.2	3,721.0	1.5	350.8	1.4	440.4	-0.5	65.8	0.3	203.9	-2.4
Average:																						
Jan-Dec04	15,949.7		2,059.7		1,757.9		480.0		576.0		6,316.3		3,686.0		350.4		441.6		66.7		215.2	
Jan-Dec05	16,177.3		2,130.5		1,786.4		483.3		580.2		6,398.9		3,721.6		350.4		443.6		68.1		214.3	
% Change	1.4		3.4		1.6		0.7		0.7		1.3		1.0		0.0		0.4		2.1		-0.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	34.0		33.2		35.4		35.3		34.0		34.0		33.6		34.8		33.9		35.0		33.3	
1996	34.2	0.6	33.2	0.0	35.8	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.4	1.2	34.5	1.5	33.4	-0.6	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.6	35.5	1.4	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.9	0.3	35.8	0.0	34.6	0.6	34.5	0.0	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	34.0	-0.6	32.5	-1.5	34.9	-2.8	35.0	-2.2	34.4	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.1	-0.3	34.8	-1.4	33.9	-0.6
1999	34.2	0.6	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.6	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.9
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.4	1.1	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.0	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.4	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.2	-0.3	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.3	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	32.9	-2.9	33.4	0.3
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.9	32.4	0.3	35.8	0.6	33.9	1.8	33.7	-0.6	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-2.1	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.1	-5.0	33.0	-3.2
Feb	33.6	-0.9	33.4	2.1	34.4	-2.0	32.1	-3.0	33.6	0.3	34.4	-0.6	33.0	-0.3	33.5	-3.2	26.7	-18.8	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.0
Mar	32.9	-0.6	31.5	-4.0	35.9	-0.3	34.3	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	33.0	-0.6	34.4	-2.0	30.5	-1.9	29.9	-10.2	33.4	0.0
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.6	33.2	4.4	32.3	3.9	33.2	9.6	33.1	9.6	29.9	-0.7	32.6	4.5	31.4	4.7	31.2	4.7	28.4	-4.4
May	34.9	0.9	33.4	0.6	36.1	0.3	37.0	-1.1	34.4	-2.0	35.5	2.3	33.9	0.0	35.1	-1.4	35.4	-0.3	37.7	1.1	35.1	-0.3
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.9	0.9	36.1	0.0	36.3	0.3	35.3	0.6	35.4	1.4	33.8	0.3	35.4	-1.9	34.9	-2.2	37.3	-1.6	36.4	0.0
Jul	32.0	2.6	32.1	1.6	34.2	-0.6	32.5	0.9	32.3	-0.3	32.1	-0.9	30.3	13.5	32.6	-3.3	32.1	-2.4	33.8	0.9	34.7	4.8
Aug	32.0	4.2	31.0	1.6	33.9	2.1	32.8	-2.1	31.7	-2.8	32.4	7.6	30.7	4.4	32.7	-2.1	31.5	-0.3	33.1	-1.8	31.9	-0.6
Sep	34.9	0.3	34.1	2.4	36.6	1.7	35.6	0.3	34.7	-1.7	35.3	0.0	33.9	0.0	35.9	-0.3	34.8	-0.9	35.9	-2.4	35.2	0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.2	1.7	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.9	31.2	-2.2	30.6	-0.3	29.5	0.0	32.1	-0.3	30.7	-0.6	31.2	-2.5	32.3	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.6	3.4	33.1	0.3	31.1	1.6	30.4	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.9	-1.2	30.3	-1.3	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.3
Dec	34.6	0.6	33.7	2.4	36.6	1.7	34.6	0.3	34.6	0.3	35.0	0.6	33.7	0.3	35.2	2.3	34.6	0.3	33.7	1.8	34.8	0.6
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.9	1.5	35.3	-1.4	32.8	-3.2	33.7	0.0	34.2	-0.6	32.8	0.0	34.8	2.7	33.4	3.4	32.8	2.2	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.9	1.5	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.3	-0.9	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.2	2.1	33.3	24.7	32.4	20.4	33.9	2.7
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.4	32.9	-1.5
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.1	9.6	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.7	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.6	18.3
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	34.9	-1.7	33.6	-0.9	35.0	-0.3	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.2	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	35.0	-0.8	35.3	-0.3	34.1	0.9	35.8	1.1	35.0	0.3	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.2	1.2	34.4	-0.9
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.6	0.6	30.4	-1.0	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.2	3.3	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.6	2.6	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct	30.8	0.3	29.4	-2.6	34.0	3.0	33.3	2.5	30.7	-1.6	30.8	0.7	29.5	0.0	32.2	0.3	30.7	0.0	31.9	2.2	32.5	0.6
Nov	32.9	0.3	30.4	-0.7	34.2	3.3	32.1	3.2	30.6	0.7	33.9	-0.3	33.0	0.3	31.7	-0.6	30.8	1.7	30.7	-0.6	32.2	1.6
Dec	34.6	0.0	33.7	0.0	36.9	0.8	34.8	0.6	34.2	-1.2	34.9	-0.3	33.5	-0.6	35.1	-0.3	34.5	-0.3	33.9	0.6	34.9	0.3
Average:	33.3		32.3		34.9		33.8		33.3		33.7		32.3		33.8		32.1		32.8		33.3	
Jan-Dec04	33.5		32.7		35.5		34.4		33.4		33.8		32.5		34.2		33.1		33.7		34.1	
Jan-Dec05	0.8		1.2		1.6		1.9		0.4		0.1		0.7		1.1		3.0		2.6		2.2	
% Change																						

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
	Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995																
1996																
1997	732.23		576.18		18.50		16.37		377.6		1,194.9		36.3		32.2	
1998	754.02	3.0	580.58	0.8	18.99		16.54		372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5	36.3	0.0	32.3	0.3
1999	762.54	1.1	591.72	1.9	19.19		16.78		419.0	12.6	1,435.0	15.0	36.3	0.0	32.1	-0.6
2000	764.37	0.2	606.09	2.4	19.25		17.20	1.5	409.9	-2.2	1,443.7	0.6	36.0	-0.8	31.5	-1.9
2001	781.31	2.2	615.74	1.6	19.61		17.58	2.2	395.6	-3.5	1,497.5	3.7	36.2	0.6	31.6	0.3
2002	787.72	0.8	638.71	3.7	19.91		18.27	3.9	408.4	3.2	1,521.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.2
2003	810.22	2.9	652.14	2.1	20.48		18.66	2.1	383.9	-6.0	1,538.2	1.1	36.3	-1.6	31.2	-3.4
2004	793.67	-2.0	659.20	1.1	19.94		18.74	0.4	392.3	2.2	1,567.9	1.9	35.8	-1.4	31.0	-0.6
									411.7	4.9	1,602.5	2.2	35.6	-0.6	30.8	-0.6
									431.0	4.7	1,628.7	1.6	36.3	2.0	31.2	1.3
2004																
Jan	807.32	-1.8	648.43	-0.1	20.53		18.70	-0.4	401.1	5.2	1,611.0	3.4	35.3	-3.8	31.7	1.6
Feb	796.61	-1.4	658.44	1.0	20.12		18.92	0.3	399.3	2.4	1,597.7	1.6	37.4	-0.3	32.3	2.5
Mar	774.34	-4.9	654.21	0.8	19.59		18.59	-0.6	400.8	-2.0	1,609.9	1.8	36.0	-4.5	30.4	-3.8
Apr	779.06	-4.9	650.38	0.7	19.71		18.56	-0.4	409.3	3.7	1,599.1	0.6	35.2	11.4	30.1	6.7
May	769.45	-5.4	649.46	-0.2	19.42		18.53	-0.3	422.5	1.9	1,626.9	2.4	37.4	-0.3	32.4	0.9
Jun	777.46	-5.6	652.09	0.2	19.22		18.50	0.0	448.0	5.4	1,657.4	3.0	38.6	2.9	32.6	0.0
Jul	788.44	-1.7	651.81	-0.3	19.57		18.32	-0.8	459.7	4.6	1,644.0	2.6	36.8	2.2	30.8	1.3
Aug	784.92	-3.5	662.15	1.2	19.48		18.53	0.7	460.1	5.9	1,633.0	1.4	36.1	1.7	29.6	1.4
Sep	813.10	-0.4	667.77	1.4	20.30		18.90	0.1	441.9	5.9	1,640.8	1.9	38.4	1.9	33.0	2.5
Oct	811.80	1.2	675.19	3.3	20.40		19.06	1.5	454.9	6.6	1,636.8	0.7	33.4	3.1	29.3	1.0
Nov	817.61	3.4	669.76	2.0	20.50		19.13	2.2	439.0	7.5	1,633.9	0.5	34.1	8.3	29.6	1.7
Dec	802.53	0.5	670.16	3.0	20.51		19.14	2.5	435.5	9.0	1,654.2	-0.1	37.3	5.1	32.8	1.9
2005																
Jan	813.57	0.8	681.67	5.1	20.63		19.34	3.4	439.5	9.6	1,613.8	0.2	35.4	0.3	32.2	1.6
Feb	801.63	0.6	680.57	3.4	20.21		19.33	2.2	441.2	10.5	1,626.1	1.8	37.8	1.1	32.8	1.5
Mar	801.30	3.5	672.01	2.7	20.07		19.02	2.3	436.2	8.8	1,641.2	1.9	38.1	5.8	32.7	7.6
Apr	816.99	4.9	671.61	3.3	20.35		19.07	2.7	444.6	8.6	1,646.0	2.9	38.7	9.9	32.8	9.0
May	816.34	6.1	669.67	3.1	20.39		18.98	2.4	450.2	6.6	1,690.7	3.9	38.1	1.9	32.7	0.9
Jun	810.29	4.2	672.46	3.1	20.15		18.93	2.3	463.8	3.5	1,695.2	2.3	38.1	-1.3	32.6	0.0
Jul	794.94	0.8	671.55	3.0	19.62		18.65	1.8	484.9	5.5	1,675.2	1.9	36.8	0.0	30.3	-1.6
Aug	787.35	0.3	679.72	2.7	19.69		18.96	2.3	480.1	4.3	1,685.8	3.2	35.9	-0.6	29.5	-0.3
Sep	805.34	-1.0	685.39	2.6	20.08		19.36	2.4	453.2	2.6	1,693.6	3.2	38.2	-0.5	32.3	-2.1
Oct	804.22	-0.9	681.09	0.9	20.12		19.28	1.2	455.4	0.1	1,710.5	4.5	33.2	-0.6	28.4	-3.1
Nov	831.06	1.6	689.73	3.0	20.72		19.41	1.5	453.1	3.2	1,714.9	5.0	33.6	-1.5	29.6	0.0
Dec	810.25	1.0	681.29	1.7	20.44		19.30	0.8	443.4	1.8	1,728.1	4.5	37.2	-0.3	32.8	0.0
Average:																
Jan-Dec04	793.55		659.15		19.95		18.74		431.0		1,628.7		36.3		31.2	
Jan-Dec05	807.77		678.06		20.21		19.14		453.8		1,676.8		36.8		31.6	
% Change	1.8		2.9		1.3		2.1		5.3		2.9		1.2		1.1	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	732.23		418.75		898.53		884.30		735.50		683.93	
1996	754.02	3.0	447.13	6.8	900.82	0.3	967.91	9.5	748.01	1.7	727.86	6.4
1997	762.54	1.1	518.45	16.0	943.39	4.7	918.99	-5.1	755.69	1.0	705.41	-3.1
1998	764.37	0.2	443.66	-14.4	945.27	0.2	954.98	3.9	749.87	-0.8	736.87	4.5
1999	781.31	2.2	464.01	4.6	973.96	3.0	947.19	-0.8	762.83	1.7	786.27	6.7
2000	787.72	0.8	458.80	-1.1	953.12	-2.1	978.20	3.3	784.73	2.9	778.62	-1.0
2001	810.22	2.9	479.56	4.5	968.47	1.6	1079.80	10.4	808.16	3.0	780.29	0.2
2002	793.67	-2.0	493.75	3.0	1018.57	5.2	988.02	-7.6	791.46	-2.1	784.43	0.5
2003	807.32	-1.8	463.67	11.0	971.29	-0.5	1061.78	0.0	799.61	-2.4	796.11	-2.2
2004	796.61	-1.4	513.05	14.8	970.32	2.3	1125.47	11.1	786.99	-1.7	790.97	-3.6
Jan	774.34	-4.9	493.11	3.8	1030.81	3.0	1085.03	-0.2	750.17	-6.3	792.05	-0.9
Feb	779.06	-4.9	498.02	12.5	987.12	-6.0	961.89	-9.0	777.32	-3.7	792.11	-1.3
Mar	769.45	-5.4	494.72	6.7	982.98	1.0	1013.54	-3.0	775.00	-5.3	745.73	-4.0
Apr	777.46	-5.6	519.46	5.0	978.90	4.2	954.79	-10.7	775.00	-6.6	774.20	-3.1
May	788.44	-1.7	503.35	5.9	1010.19	5.6	953.87	-12.7	801.29	0.0	754.25	-2.4
Jun	784.92	-3.5	515.77	4.1	1026.14	8.2	1018.08	-6.8	777.83	-4.9	773.85	-3.1
Jul	813.10	-0.4	472.19	-12.8	1073.00	16.4	1098.58	0.5	807.69	-2.1	805.98	4.9
Aug	811.80	1.2	452.44	-5.0	1118.40	14.1	910.13	-17.2	816.24	1.5	792.28	7.9
Sep	817.61	3.4	465.38	-0.9	1016.59	4.6	835.25	-23.7	824.59	4.6	813.49	10.3
Oct	802.53	0.5	509.85	-11.5	1036.07	7.9	918.40	-21.8	803.50	2.7	779.67	2.6
Nov												
Dec												
2005	813.57	0.8	608.05	31.1	1010.89	4.1	935.49	-11.9	799.90	0.0	807.90	1.5
Jan	801.63	0.6	518.89	1.1	978.57	0.9	929.97	-17.4	794.57	1.0	805.10	1.8
Feb	801.30	3.5	548.17	11.2	1026.79	-0.4	963.64	-11.2	776.03	3.4	820.12	3.5
Mar	816.99	4.9	491.98	-1.2	1040.09	5.4	1108.72	15.3	795.80	2.4	829.80	4.8
Apr	816.34	6.1	454.61	-8.1	1045.92	6.4	1190.57	17.5	802.34	3.4	790.88	6.1
May	810.29	4.2	482.12	-7.2	1006.99	2.9	1072.29	12.3	820.82	5.9	764.49	-1.3
Jun	794.94	0.8	523.57	4.0	1028.71	1.8	1092.34	14.5	798.52	-0.3	755.18	0.1
Jul	787.35	0.3	508.72	-1.4	954.54	-7.0	1131.44	11.1	806.16	3.6	744.29	-3.8
Aug	805.34	-1.0	475.98	0.8	1055.60	-1.6	1107.87	0.8	803.63	-0.5	763.18	-5.3
Sep	804.22	-0.9	481.33	6.4	1117.10	-0.1	1078.46	18.5	798.73	-2.0	744.30	-6.1
Oct	831.06	1.6	523.45	12.5	1168.86	14.8	1035.05	23.9	822.97	-0.2	783.90	-3.6
Nov	810.25	1.0	487.39	-4.4	1173.93	13.3	898.80	-2.1	819.61	2.0	754.85	-3.2
Dec												
Average:	793.55		491.75		1016.82		994.73		791.33		784.22	
Jan-Dec04	807.77		508.69		1050.50		1045.39		803.35		780.33	
Jan-Dec05	1.8		3.4		3.3		5.1		1.5		-0.5	
% Change												

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3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE																		
	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries			
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	Profess., Scient. & Tech Services	Education	Social Services	Accommod., Food & Bev.	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg		
1995																		
1996	576.18		694.59		490.16		588.30		733.62		733.83		592.41		316.51		610.31	
1997	580.58	0.8	714.96	2.9	482.05	-1.7	628.52	6.8	749.00	2.1	722.20	-1.6	604.45	2.0	329.49	4.1	618.90	
1998	591.72	1.9	733.22	2.6	503.22	4.4	626.49	-0.3	774.34	3.4	735.46	1.8	619.15	2.4	318.59	-3.3	626.78	
1999	606.09	2.4	730.18	-0.4	490.23	-2.6	676.00	7.9	778.07	0.5	765.86	4.1	634.02	2.4	338.34	6.2	638.74	
2000	615.74	1.6	771.09	5.6	488.16	-0.4	682.66	1.0	808.20	3.9	745.01	-2.7	661.82	4.4	344.04	1.7	648.13	
2001	638.71	3.7	801.35	3.9	503.07	3.1	733.54	7.5	850.16	5.2	776.12	4.2	688.99	4.1	334.45	-2.8	668.15	
2002	652.14	2.1	804.41	0.4	523.78	4.1	730.28	-0.4	860.26	1.2	792.62	2.1	709.95	3.0	350.61	4.8	683.82	
2003	659.20	1.1	789.20	-1.9	522.93	-0.2	721.75	-1.2	841.25	-2.2	826.06	4.2	733.97	3.4	362.55	3.4	686.61	
2004																		
Jan	648.43	-0.1	740.73	-9.8	499.25	-4.8	726.24	-1.9	876.05	-4.3	749.40	-1.5	735.56	6.4	360.72	36.4	678.67	
Feb	658.44	1.0	751.47	-14.0	528.29	2.2	745.54	2.3	832.04	-8.4	813.34	10.6	762.55	11.2	336.23	27.3	685.65	
Mar	654.21	0.8	727.28	-9.7	527.08	1.8	773.98	1.3	838.98	-1.5	791.68	3.8	749.85	9.7	354.70	33.5	677.70	
Apr	650.38	0.7	739.65	-5.3	522.72	3.9	741.70	-1.2	821.07	-7.0	782.68	2.2	749.60	6.5	356.77	36.7	676.04	
May	649.46	-0.2	733.66	-8.9	507.58	-1.8	747.90	-0.3	854.80	-3.5	800.25	-0.5	748.27	10.8	365.48	33.1	673.81	
Jun	652.09	0.2	767.28	-2.9	530.76	1.0	721.77	0.9	792.77	-4.9	830.02	-0.1	719.07	1.4	372.22	36.3	678.14	
Jul	651.81	-0.3	796.39	-1.4	529.45	3.2	714.96	0.1	804.68	-3.4	892.73	3.1	708.22	-3.2	366.15	38.8	680.96	
Aug	662.15	1.2	822.45	6.2	524.98	1.3	699.93	-5.9	826.99	-1.6	935.34	10.6	714.84	-2.3	367.38	35.6	688.27	
Sep	667.77	1.4	840.54	2.8	526.27	-3.1	689.14	-3.6	862.29	-0.6	858.90	6.3	695.21	-4.8	366.15	35.2	697.88	
Oct	675.19	3.3	874.64	10.8	535.74	-1.7	685.59	-2.9	878.82	6.3	837.18	5.8	742.34	0.7	363.39	37.1	704.09	
Nov	669.76	2.0	844.85	4.1	527.54	-1.2	696.23	-1.5	832.71	0.6	822.13	1.9	738.71	2.2	378.44	44.9	700.51	
Dec	670.16	3.0	829.56	7.2	516.81	-1.9	723.87	-0.8	863.68	0.3	841.46	9.3	748.44	4.0	360.60	37.9	696.56	
2005																		
Jan	681.67	5.1	853.09	15.2	517.82	3.7	745.25	2.6	891.18	1.7	843.61	12.6	749.70	1.9	387.10	7.3	708.09	
Feb	680.57	3.4	813.18	8.2	520.40	-1.5	727.81	-2.4	914.47	9.9	824.78	1.4	746.66	-2.1	390.46	16.1	704.90	
Mar	672.01	2.7	818.66	12.6	512.49	-2.8	739.60	-4.4	924.30	10.2	823.32	4.0	719.44	-4.1	367.46	3.6	698.01	
Apr	671.61	3.3	807.22	9.1	530.42	1.5	708.81	-4.4	962.03	17.2	832.55	6.4	722.18	-3.7	366.89	2.8	700.56	
May	669.67	3.1	821.14	11.9	512.49	1.0	708.18	-5.3	945.75	10.6	849.86	6.2	712.60	-4.8	373.82	2.3	698.81	
Jun	672.46	3.1	861.01	12.2	512.75	-3.4	734.84	1.8	901.40	13.7	861.34	3.8	717.39	-0.2	385.17	3.5	700.73	
Jul	671.95	3.0	858.11	7.7	516.72	-2.4	714.14	-0.1	920.22	14.4	829.97	-7.0	722.19	2.0	396.51	8.3	698.02	
Aug	679.72	2.7	834.49	1.5	523.27	-0.3	708.77	1.3	940.65	13.7	912.96	-2.4	720.09	0.7	403.03	9.7	702.66	
Sep	685.39	2.6	851.11	1.3	544.32	3.4	732.20	6.2	946.96	9.8	841.96	-2.0	727.04	4.6	400.47	9.4	709.12	
Oct	681.09	0.9	859.82	-1.7	521.85	-2.6	762.02	11.1	942.50	7.2	870.65	4.0	721.09	-2.9	402.79	10.8	705.83	
Nov	689.73	3.0	830.26	-1.7	525.14	-0.5	756.04	10.5	950.38	14.1	881.68	7.2	736.10	-0.4	383.96	1.5	717.66	
Dec	681.29	1.7	856.38	3.2	526.91	2.0	756.04	4.4	927.05	7.3	861.37	2.4	716.78	-4.2	369.32	2.4	706.03	
Average:																		
Jan-Dec04	659.15		789.04		523.04		722.24		840.41		829.59		734.39		362.35		686.52	
Jan-Dec05	678.06		838.71		522.05		733.90		930.57		852.84		725.94		385.58		704.20	
% Change	2.9		6.3		-0.2		1.6		10.7		2.8		-1.2		6.4		2.6	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	18.50		11.46		21.44		23.42		18.52		17.78	
1996	18.99	2.6	12.00	4.7	21.23	-1.0	25.26	7.9	18.94	2.3	18.60	4.6
1997	19.19	1.1	13.71	14.3	21.92	3.3	24.15	-4.4	19.12	1.0	18.21	-2.1
1998	19.25	0.3	11.39	-16.9	22.70	3.6	24.80	2.7	18.95	-0.9	18.92	3.9
2000	19.61	1.9	11.93	4.7	22.79	0.4	24.81	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.5	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.87	4.3	19.89	3.1	20.03	0.7
2002	20.48	2.9	12.75	7.8	23.20	3.9	28.15	8.8	20.48	3.0	19.92	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.1	23.97	3.3	25.80	-8.3	20.02	-2.2	19.79	-0.7
2004												
Jan	20.53	-1.9	14.42	15.7	23.92	1.7	27.89	0.6	20.20	-3.0	20.32	-2.4
Feb	20.12	-1.5	13.10	5.1	22.88	-1.8	30.24	12.8	19.99	-1.1	19.99	-2.8
Mar	19.59	-4.5	13.20	3.8	23.34	-1.4	28.44	3.3	19.33	-5.0	19.66	-3.1
Apr	19.71	-4.1	12.71	5.5	24.44	-0.9	25.09	-8.5	19.79	-2.9	19.75	-2.1
May	19.42	-5.3	12.16	4.0	24.29	3.3	26.38	-3.8	19.57	-5.6	18.99	-3.6
Jun	19.22	-6.2	12.27	-1.9	23.19	4.8	24.09	-14.1	19.41	-6.3	19.06	-4.7
Jul	19.57	-2.9	11.78	-1.2	23.79	5.0	24.34	-15.6	19.95	-1.6	19.19	-2.2
Aug	19.48	-5.0	12.13	-3.1	23.21	3.7	24.93	-14.7	19.66	-5.3	19.43	-3.8
Sep	20.30	-1.9	12.47	-8.8	24.36	5.0	26.06	-8.0	20.55	-1.0	20.00	0.4
Oct	20.40	0.1	12.25	-10.3	25.74	9.8	23.79	-16.1	20.61	1.1	20.10	5.1
Nov	20.50	1.0	12.88	-7.4	23.90	4.3	22.80	-19.8	20.63	1.7	20.56	6.8
Dec	20.51	0.3	13.64	-9.2	24.65	6.3	25.25	-16.6	20.51	1.9	20.29	2.6
2005												
Jan	20.63	0.5	15.25	5.8	23.99	0.3	25.03	-10.3	20.18	-0.1	21.07	3.7
Feb	20.21	0.4	13.07	-0.2	23.27	1.7	24.60	-18.7	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.6
Mar	20.07	2.5	13.11	-0.7	24.36	4.4	25.48	-10.4	19.78	2.3	20.31	3.3
Apr	20.35	3.2	12.27	-3.5	24.43	0.0	28.80	14.8	20.13	1.7	20.46	3.6
May	20.39	5.0	11.53	-5.2	24.13	-0.7	30.93	17.2	20.35	4.0	19.70	3.7
Jun	20.15	4.8	12.00	-2.2	23.16	-0.1	27.75	15.2	20.62	6.2	19.20	0.7
Jul	19.62	0.3	12.89	9.4	23.26	-2.2	28.16	15.7	19.98	0.2	18.70	-2.6
Aug	19.69	1.1	12.03	-0.8	22.78	-1.9	29.45	18.1	20.24	3.0	18.83	-3.1
Sep	20.08	-1.1	12.35	-1.0	24.38	0.1	28.49	9.3	20.22	-1.6	19.07	-4.7
Oct	20.12	-1.4	12.24	-0.1	24.97	-3.0	28.24	18.7	20.33	-1.4	18.79	-6.5
Nov	20.72	1.1	13.15	2.1	25.65	7.3	26.84	17.7	20.86	1.1	19.71	-4.1
Dec	20.44	-0.3	13.37	-2.0	26.65	8.1	24.14	-4.4	20.86	1.7	19.19	-5.4
Average:												
Jan-Dec04	19.95		12.75		23.98		25.78		20.02		19.78	
Jan-Dec05	20.21		12.77		24.25		27.33		20.31		19.61	
% Change	1.3		0.2		1.2		6.0		1.5		-0.8	

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	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg	\$	% Chg
1995	16.37		18.09		13.58		16.09		19.13		22.37		18.23		10.12		21.19		16.83	
1996	16.54	1.0	18.52	2.4	13.58	0.0	17.18	6.8	19.60	2.5	22.07	-1.3	18.52	1.6	10.42	3.0	20.93	-1.2	17.08	1.5
1997	16.78	1.5	19.01	2.6	14.08	3.7	17.11	-0.4	20.43	4.2	21.95	-0.5	18.85	1.8	10.28	-1.3	21.55	3.0	17.28	1.2
1998	16.78	0.0	18.69	-1.7	13.96	-0.9	18.38	7.4	20.36	-0.3	23.03	4.9	19.26	2.2	10.82	5.3	21.87	1.5	17.63	2.0
1999	17.20	2.5	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.0	18.63	1.4	21.40	5.1	22.71	-1.4	20.20	4.9	10.94	1.1	22.54	3.1	17.98	2.0
2000	17.58	2.2	20.38	1.6	14.46	3.6	19.95	7.1	22.51	5.2	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.1	11.10	1.5	23.93	6.2	18.59	3.4
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.44	0.3	14.94	3.3	19.81	-0.7	22.72	0.9	24.29	2.7	21.96	4.4	11.28	1.6	24.41	2.0	19.03	2.4
2003	18.74	0.4	19.97	-2.3	14.96	0.1	19.81	0.0	22.10	-2.7	25.03	3.0	22.06	0.5	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.6	18.99	-0.2
2004	18.70	-0.4	19.26	-7.5	14.64	-3.5	19.76	-2.1	22.93	-5.5	23.32	-3.6	22.45	4.3	11.64	1.7	25.43	5.0	19.05	-0.7
Jan	18.92	0.3	19.47	-10.4	15.50	3.3	20.39	0.9	21.77	-9.8	24.71	4.5	22.66	5.8	11.47	0.8	24.74	2.7	19.15	-0.1
Feb	18.59	-0.6	18.69	-9.2	15.09	0.7	20.82	1.0	21.91	-5.7	24.17	0.8	22.27	5.0	11.50	-3.6	24.11	0.8	18.79	-1.4
Mar	18.56	-0.4	19.18	-6.0	15.09	3.7	20.56	1.1	21.90	-7.9	23.95	-1.9	22.04	2.2	11.48	0.6	24.48	0.7	18.79	-1.2
Apr	18.53	-0.3	19.31	-4.5	14.54	-2.4	19.94	0.4	22.91	-1.5	24.52	0.9	22.19	3.8	11.54	3.6	24.26	1.5	18.71	-1.4
May	18.50	0.0	19.80	-3.2	15.01	1.6	19.80	1.6	21.20	-4.6	25.08	1.0	21.43	-1.3	11.72	6.8	24.44	2.5	18.65	-1.4
Jun	18.32	-0.8	19.69	-4.6	14.90	2.5	19.41	-1.8	21.18	-3.4	25.29	-0.6	21.46	-3.7	11.61	3.5	24.14	1.9	18.58	-1.3
Jul	18.53	0.7	19.87	0.9	14.70	1.1	19.29	-3.5	21.95	0.2	26.55	8.5	21.69	-4.1	11.62	5.0	24.42	0.5	18.73	-0.6
Aug	18.90	0.1	20.72	1.1	14.80	-3.5	19.16	-0.6	22.18	-0.5	25.73	2.6	21.55	-5.2	11.74	6.7	25.24	2.1	19.19	-0.3
Sep	19.06	1.5	21.24	5.3	15.21	-0.6	19.20	-0.8	22.40	3.0	25.83	6.2	22.06	-2.2	11.62	5.5	25.55	2.1	19.34	1.2
Oct	19.13	2.2	21.00	4.3	15.08	-0.7	19.43	2.0	22.00	1.0	26.07	9.1	22.40	0.7	11.60	2.5	25.31	0.0	19.41	2.0
Nov	19.14	2.5	21.43	7.7	14.98	-0.6	20.08	2.5	22.68	0.4	25.67	9.8	22.66	1.2	11.28	-2.2	25.68	1.0	19.41	2.1
Dec	19.34	3.4	21.43	11.3	15.08	3.0	20.85	5.5	23.42	2.1	25.16	7.9	22.35	-0.4	11.80	1.4	26.22	3.1	19.60	2.9
2005	19.33	2.2	20.48	5.2	14.99	-3.3	19.99	-2.0	24.03	10.4	25.06	1.4	22.44	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.27	6.2	19.51	1.9
Jan	19.02	2.3	20.60	10.2	14.91	-1.0	20.08	-3.6	24.31	11.0	24.25	0.3	21.81	-2.1	11.78	2.4	26.03	8.0	19.23	2.3
Feb	19.07	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.3	19.42	-5.5	24.69	12.7	25.00	4.4	21.54	-2.3	11.74	2.3	25.74	5.1	19.33	2.9
Mar	18.98	2.4	21.08	9.2	14.74	1.4	19.03	-4.6	24.62	7.5	25.68	4.7	21.27	-4.1	11.81	2.3	25.07	3.3	19.26	2.9
Apr	18.93	2.3	21.41	8.1	14.72	-1.9	19.59	-1.1	23.70	11.8	25.45	1.5	21.56	0.6	11.84	1.0	25.23	3.2	19.18	2.8
May	18.65	1.8	21.48	9.1	14.62	-1.9	19.04	-1.9	23.53	11.1	24.52	-3.0	21.33	-0.6	11.90	2.5	24.69	2.3	18.85	1.5
Jun	18.96	2.3	21.11	6.2	14.82	0.8	19.02	-1.4	24.47	11.5	26.34	-0.8	21.90	1.0	12.00	3.3	25.47	4.3	19.11	2.0
Jul	19.36	2.4	21.36	3.1	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.5	24.73	11.5	25.31	-1.6	21.98	2.0	12.42	5.8	26.59	5.3	19.50	1.6
Aug	19.28	1.2	21.40	0.8	15.04	-1.1	20.91	8.9	24.91	11.2	25.32	-2.0	21.83	-1.0	12.44	7.1	26.36	3.2	19.44	0.5
Sep	19.41	1.5	20.96	-0.2	15.05	-0.2	20.67	6.4	24.84	12.9	25.39	-2.6	22.09	-1.4	12.43	7.2	26.45	4.5	19.67	1.3
Oct	19.30	0.8	21.52	0.4	15.22	1.6	20.50	2.1	24.34	7.3	25.10	-2.2	21.92	-3.3	11.91	5.6	26.57	3.5	19.52	0.6
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:	18.74		19.97		14.96		19.82		22.08		25.07		22.07		11.57		24.82		18.98	
Jan-Dec04	19.14		21.15		14.97		19.93		24.30		25.22		21.84		12.00		25.89		19.35	
Jan-Dec05	2.1		5.9		0.1		0.5		10.0		0.6		-1.1		3.7		4.3		1.9	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing				Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Food and Beverage	Wood	Paper and Allied	Food and Beverage	Wood	Construction
1995	406.8		24.9		36.2		4.4		14.5		189.9		22.2	43.7	24.2	22.2	43.7	126.1
1996	406.7	0.0	29.7	19.3	31.6	-12.7	5.0	13.6	17.6	21.4	193.7	2.0	23.9	43.2	23.3	23.9	43.2	118.5
1997	419.0	3.0	33.7	13.5	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	197.1	1.8	25.4	44.6	23.3	25.4	44.6	124.9
1998	409.9	-2.2	32.7	-3.0	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	196.5	-0.3	25.7	43.6	22.9	25.7	43.6	118.4
1999	395.6	-3.5	28.9	-11.6	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	192.6	-2.0	21.7	42.5	22.3	21.7	42.5	113.8
2000	408.4	3.2	30.2	4.5	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	203.4	5.6	23.5	45.9	17.8	23.5	45.9	111.3
2001	383.9	-6.0	25.8	-14.6	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	195.1	-4.1	25.6	48.8	15.0	25.6	48.8	110.8
2002	392.3	2.2	29.6	14.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.4	0.7	27.0	43.8	17.0	27.0	43.8	117.4
2003	411.7	4.9	32.3	9.1	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	205.7	4.7	31.4	49.0	14.4	31.4	49.0	117.4
2004	431.0	4.7	36.7	13.6	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	208.4	1.3	31.0	46.5	11.9	31.0	46.5	141.7
2004 Jan	401.1	5.2	30.6	12.9	18.5	-33.5	5.0	-3.8	10.8	45.9	204.5	4.4	41.2	47.2	10.5	41.2	47.2	122.5
Feb	399.3	2.4	31.4	10.6	21.5	-22.4	3.2	-13.5	11.1	-3.5	205.4	3.7	31.5	47.7	10.9	31.5	47.7	118.5
Mar	400.8	-2.0	33.1	2.5	20.6	-24.3	3.0	-21.1	8.9	-39.5	202.8	-0.8	29.5	54.0	9.4	29.5	54.0	123.1
Apr	409.3	3.7	36.3	14.5	18.2	-30.0	2.7	42.1	8.4	-39.1	206.3	0.5	29.1	49.6	10.3	29.1	49.6	127.5
May	422.5	1.9	40.3	22.9	19.2	-26.7	3.5	45.8	10.2	-43.3	207.3	-1.8	28.5	46.9	14.2	28.5	46.9	131.7
Jun	448.0	5.4	42.4	28.5	24.7	-13.6	2.9	-35.6	10.1	-30.3	209.5	-0.9	30.3	45.9	14.5	30.3	45.9	148.0
Jul	459.7	4.6	42.8	18.2	27.2	-17.3	2.5	-40.5	9.8	-37.6	216.0	1.8	24.5	49.6	13.2	24.5	49.6	152.4
Aug	460.1	5.9	43.0	11.7	22.9	-17.3	3.6	-41.9	10.5	-7.1	216.0	1.2	28.8	44.9	11.8	28.8	44.9	154.0
Sep	441.9	5.9	36.1	5.6	22.1	-23.5	2.5	-55.4	11.0	-13.4	210.1	2.3	26.8	44.3	11.3	26.8	44.3	151.7
Oct	454.9	6.6	38.5	17.0	21.6	-23.1	2.4	-63.1	13.0	-13.9	209.8	1.0	32.9	42.3	12.7	32.9	42.3	161.5
Nov	439.0	7.5	32.2	1.3	20.3	-20.1	1.6	-74.6	13.3	26.7	208.7	3.1	35.5	42.2	11.2	35.5	42.2	155.6
Dec	435.5	9.0	34.3	18.7	20.0	-14.2	2.6	-31.6	14.9	17.3	204.0	1.1	33.3	43.3	13.2	33.3	43.3	153.3
2005 Jan	439.5	9.6	35.8	17.0	19.2	3.8	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	202.3	-1.1	38.2	39.2	12.5	38.2	39.2	159.7
Feb	441.2	10.5	36.4	15.9	22.1	2.8	1.6	-50.0	12.6	13.5	199.4	-2.9	39.3	42.7	12.5	39.3	42.7	159.7
Mar	436.2	8.8	39.0	17.8	19.4	-5.8	0.0	-100.0	14.5	62.9	194.2	-4.2	37.4	43.6	12.9	37.4	43.6	158.5
Apr	444.6	8.6	42.1	16.0	21.8	19.8	0.0	-100.0	12.0	42.9	191.8	-7.0	33.5	41.2	13.8	33.5	41.2	165.2
May	450.2	6.6	39.7	-1.5	25.3	31.8	3.0	-14.3	12.5	22.5	195.0	-5.9	35.1	42.5	13.7	35.1	42.5	161.8
Jun	463.8	3.5	43.9	3.5	25.5	3.2	4.9	69.0	12.9	27.7	193.0	-7.9	29.9	45.8	11.0	29.9	45.8	170.4
Jul	484.9	5.5	50.1	17.1	23.5	-13.6	2.1	-16.0	14.3	45.9	206.1	-4.6	35.7	50.3	12.3	35.7	50.3	175.8
Aug	480.1	4.3	45.8	6.5	24.1	5.2	1.7	-52.8	14.6	39.0	201.1	-6.9	30.6	50.1	12.8	30.6	50.1	181.1
Sep	453.2	2.6	37.4	3.6	21.6	-2.3	1.7	-32.0	13.6	23.6	198.9	-5.3	25.3	47.2	9.7	25.3	47.2	169.1
Oct	455.4	0.1	36.9	-4.2	22.6	4.6	3.2	33.3	14.6	12.3	195.3	-6.9	25.7	51.9	9.9	25.7	51.9	171.7
Nov	453.1	3.2	30.0	-6.8	17.1	-15.8	1.6	0.0	15.9	19.5	207.3	-0.7	22.8	48.5	13.3	22.8	48.5	172.0
Dec	443.4	1.8	34.5	0.6	18.1	-9.5	2.5	-3.8	15.1	1.3	190.6	-6.6	23.6	47.8	13.2	23.6	47.8	174.6
Average:																		
Jan-Dec04	431.0		36.8		21.4		3.0		11.0		208.4		31.0	46.5	12.0	31.0	46.5	141.7
Jan-Dec05	453.8		39.3		21.7		1.9		13.9		197.9		31.4	45.9	12.3	31.4	45.9	168.3
% Change	5.3		6.9		1.4		-37.2		26.1		-5.0		1.4	-1.3	2.9	1.4	-1.3	18.8

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service				Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Education	Health and Social Services	Accommod. Food & Bev.	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1995	1,379.3		95.1		300.9		117.1		766.3		122.1	173.6	134.8		100.1		1,786.1	
1996	1,406.7	2.0	97.7	2.7	296.0	-1.6	121.6	3.8	786.2	2.6	117.6	180.8	141.6	5.0	105.3	5.2	1,813.3	1.5
1997	1,435.0	2.0	105.3	7.8	300.0	1.4	126.6	4.1	804.1	2.3	119.3	186.5	142.3	0.5	99.0	-6.0	1,854.0	2.2
1998	1,443.7	0.6	103.0	-2.2	292.6	-2.5	121.8	-3.8	833.6	3.7	117.8	191.1	147.2	3.4	92.8	-6.3	1,853.5	0.0
1999	1,497.5	3.7	116.5	13.1	308.9	5.6	118.3	-2.9	864.4	3.7	125.0	190.0	149.3	1.4	89.4	-3.7	1,893.1	2.1
2000	1,521.7	1.6	117.3	0.7	303.5	-1.7	117.0	-1.1	893.4	3.4	136.3	198.9	154.7	3.6	90.5	1.2	1,930.0	1.9
2001	1,538.2	1.1	112.6	-4.0	304.0	0.2	122.1	4.4	911.5	2.0	138.4	197.9	164.2	6.1	88.0	-2.8	1,922.1	-0.4
2002	1,567.9	1.9	112.2	-0.4	323.4	6.4	125.7	2.9	918.6	0.8	137.5	211.6	162.4	-1.1	87.8	-0.2	1,960.1	2.0
2003	1,602.5	2.2	118.4	5.5	329.5	1.9	126.3	0.5	934.3	1.7	140.4	213.5	161.9	-0.3	94.1	7.2	2,014.2	2.8
2004	1,628.7	1.6	117.7	-0.6	320.6	-2.7	131.5	4.1	961.0	2.9	135.1	219.5	174.8	8.0	97.9	4.0	2,059.7	2.3
2004 Jan	1,611.0	3.4	117.7	2.4	336.9	0.6	128.2	-0.4	933.7	4.8	146.8	215.6	156.8	4.0	94.6	7.6	2,012.2	3.8
Feb	1,597.7	1.6	115.0	-1.5	317.0	-2.4	124.4	-3.4	944.8	3.6	147.4	212.5	165.8	7.5	96.5	5.8	1,997.0	1.7
Mar	1,609.9	1.8	112.2	-6.3	326.7	0.9	129.8	1.3	942.7	2.1	138.3	220.7	167.9	5.5	98.5	13.3	2,010.7	1.0
Apr	1,599.1	0.6	115.4	-2.9	315.5	-3.7	131.7	1.4	942.1	1.6	136.6	218.6	173.6	10.4	94.5	10.1	2,008.4	1.2
May	1,626.9	2.4	117.5	-2.7	318.6	-1.1	131.8	7.2	960.7	2.9	138.9	217.2	171.5	8.4	98.1	9.2	2,049.4	2.3
Jun	1,657.4	3.0	124.3	6.1	318.9	-1.7	129.9	2.4	984.7	4.2	138.3	224.4	182.7	10.7	99.7	3.5	2,105.4	3.5
Jul	1,644.0	2.6	125.5	9.2	326.9	-0.2	127.9	2.8	964.4	3.0	111.9	221.6	186.5	10.2	99.3	-0.3	2,103.7	3.0
Aug	1,633.0	1.4	120.0	-1.2	313.0	-3.3	138.5	12.7	956.5	1.7	106.0	218.5	184.8	6.7	102.1	4.7	2,093.2	2.4
Sep	1,640.8	1.9	119.3	2.8	315.1	-5.2	132.3	6.8	975.0	3.6	138.6	226.3	177.0	6.2	99.1	3.0	2,082.7	2.7
Oct	1,636.8	0.7	118.7	1.0	312.7	-5.8	134.3	7.1	972.3	2.3	136.0	217.7	175.5	7.6	98.8	-2.2	2,091.6	1.9
Nov	1,633.9	0.5	113.8	-5.2	317.2	-5.3	133.1	4.6	973.3	3.1	141.9	218.4	175.5	9.3	96.5	-2.5	2,072.9	1.9
Dec	1,654.2	-0.1	112.7	-8.2	325.8	-4.8	136.1	7.7	982.8	1.6	140.7	222.7	179.7	8.4	96.9	-0.6	2,089.7	1.6
2005 Jan	1,613.8	0.2	113.7	-3.4	320.6	-4.8	131.0	2.2	955.8	2.4	142.4	215.6	168.6	7.5	92.7	-2.0	2,053.3	2.0
Feb	1,626.1	1.8	113.3	-1.5	316.3	-0.2	133.2	7.1	969.2	2.6	150.8	216.3	162.7	-1.9	93.9	-2.7	2,067.3	3.5
Mar	1,641.2	1.9	114.3	1.9	325.5	-0.4	139.9	7.8	966.0	2.5	145.6	212.6	164.6	-2.0	95.5	-3.0	2,077.3	3.3
Apr	1,646.0	2.9	109.6	-5.0	316.9	0.4	136.5	3.6	989.8	5.1	153.0	210.5	180.2	3.8	93.3	-1.3	2,090.6	4.1
May	1,690.7	3.9	119.2	1.4	326.8	2.6	139.6	5.9	999.7	4.1	153.7	205.2	181.5	5.8	105.5	7.5	2,140.8	4.5
Jun	1,695.2	2.3	118.4	-4.7	318.7	-0.1	143.2	10.2	1,015.6	3.1	155.7	204.9	179.9	-1.5	99.4	-0.3	2,159.0	2.5
Jul	1,675.2	1.9	130.1	3.7	322.2	-1.4	139.3	8.9	988.7	2.5	130.6	208.6	190.5	2.1	95.0	-4.3	2,160.1	2.7
Aug	1,685.8	3.2	126.2	5.2	334.8	5.9	137.9	-0.4	986.4	3.1	127.3	215.5	183.4	-0.8	100.4	-1.7	2,165.9	3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.2	129.8	8.8	344.1	9.2	129.5	-2.1	995.1	2.1	149.7	217.1	177.5	0.3	95.0	-4.1	2,146.8	3.1
Oct	1,710.5	4.5	124.8	5.1	364.2	16.5	131.4	-2.2	998.5	2.7	141.9	219.4	175.8	0.2	91.4	-7.5	2,165.9	3.6
Nov	1,714.9	5.0	123.4	8.4	363.9	14.7	133.8	0.5	1,005.0	3.3	147.3	219.3	172.9	-1.5	89.0	-7.8	2,168.0	4.6
Dec	1,728.1	4.5	116.9	3.7	368.0	13.0	133.4	-2.0	1,016.8	3.5	154.2	213.1	179.6	-0.1	93.1	-3.9	2,171.5	3.9
Average:	1,628.7		117.7		320.6		131.5		961.1		135.1	219.5	174.8		97.9		2,059.7	
Jan-Dec04	1,676.8		120.0		335.2		135.7		990.6		146.0	213.2	176.4		95.4		2,130.5	
% Change	2.9		2.0		4.5		3.2		3.1		8.1	-2.9	0.9		-2.6		3.4	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	36.3		37.4		39.0		34.4		36.6		34.6	
1996	36.3	0.0	38.7	3.5	37.8	-3.1	33.1	-3.8	36.5	-0.3	35.2	1.7
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.9	38.5	1.9	35.5	7.3	36.3	-0.5	35.3	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	0.8	34.1	-3.9	35.7	-1.7	34.8	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.2	-2.6	36.7	2.8	34.1	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.5	6.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.5	2.1	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.1	36.3	-3.2	35.4	0.0
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-5.7	37.9	0.8	33.4	-2.9	35.9	-1.1	35.0	-1.1
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.5	0.6	37.9	0.0	34.3	2.7	35.6	-0.8	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.1	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.3	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2004 Jan	35.3	-3.8	30.3	-1.9	40.2	-2.7	34.2	-10.9	35.9	-5.8	34.0	0.6
Feb	37.4	-0.3	35.3	4.4	41.3	-2.4	36.0	-3.2	37.1	-2.1	37.5	5.0
Mar	36.0	-4.5	33.0	-4.9	37.0	-9.5	29.0	-15.5	35.8	-4.5	37.6	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.4	35.3	10.7	31.4	3.3	27.2	-17.3	36.0	11.1	35.3	16.9
May	37.4	-0.3	39.6	-0.5	38.3	2.7	36.1	0.6	36.8	-1.6	37.5	0.5
Jun	38.6	2.9	40.6	-3.3	41.3	2.0	30.6	-20.3	37.5	1.1	39.5	10.6
Jul	36.8	2.2	35.8	-8.7	40.7	10.9	32.0	-5.0	35.8	2.0	37.6	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.7	39.5	-6.6	41.7	6.9	31.5	1.6	34.8	1.8	35.9	3.2
Sep	38.4	1.9	37.0	-11.5	42.0	5.0	38.0	12.1	38.1	1.3	38.4	5.8
Oct	33.4	3.1	40.7	20.8	37.5	10.3	24.9	-15.6	32.6	0.6	32.3	2.2
Nov	34.1	8.3	36.5	22.5	39.7	6.7	29.4	-2.3	33.4	5.7	33.5	11.3
Dec	37.3	5.1	35.8	5.9	39.0	8.0	33.1	-9.1	38.3	6.4	36.0	3.4
2005 Jan	35.4	0.3	32.1	5.9	38.5	-4.2	39.5	15.5	37.5	4.5	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.4	-5.4	41.5	0.5	39.9	10.8	38.0	2.4	37.6	0.3
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.2	12.7	39.8	7.6	36.1	24.5	37.7	5.3	38.5	2.4
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.7	16.9	38.3	40.8	38.9	8.1	39.0	10.5
May	38.1	1.9	39.6	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.9	7.8	36.7	-0.3	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.5	41.8	1.2	33.9	10.8	38.4	2.4	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.5	13.1	43.4	6.6	35.2	10.0	35.4	-1.1	36.1	-4.0
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.2	-1.2	32.3	2.5	35.0	0.6	35.2	-1.9
Sep	38.2	-0.5	37.2	0.5	43.6	3.8	32.3	-15.0	37.5	-1.6	38.5	0.3
Oct	33.2	-0.6	35.2	-13.5	36.0	-4.0	40.2	40.2	32.1	-1.5	33.3	3.1
Nov	33.6	-1.5	33.5	-8.2	39.5	-0.5	31.5	7.1	32.5	-2.7	33.9	1.2
Dec	37.2	-0.3	36.1	0.8	42.2	8.2	35.9	8.5	38.2	-0.3	35.3	-1.9
Average:												
Jan-Dec04	36.3		36.6		39.2		31.8		36.0		36.3	
Jan-Dec05	36.8		36.9		40.6		35.7		36.5		36.2	
% Change	1.2		0.8		3.6		12.2		1.3		-0.1	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1995	32.2		36.4		32.5		32.8		35.4		30.1		29.8		30.0		33.3		33.2	
1996	32.3	0.3	35.7	-1.9	33.1	1.8	33.4	1.8	36.4	2.8	29.7	-1.3	29.3	-1.7	29.5	-1.7	33.1	-0.6	33.2	0.0
1997	32.1	-0.6	36.1	1.1	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.3	29.4	0.3	29.4	-0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.9	35.6	-1.4	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.8	-5.1	28.7	-2.4	30.3	3.1	32.8	-0.9	32.5	1.5
1999	31.6	0.3	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.8	0.0	29.5	2.8	29.8	-1.7	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.2	36.9	4.8	32.1	0.9	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.8	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.0	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.2	4.7	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.0	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.4	1.7	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2004 Jan	31.7	1.6	35.4	2.0	31.0	0.6	32.9	-6.3	36.4	6.4	32.6	6.5	30.2	6.0	28.0	4.9	33.5	-5.9	32.4	0.3
Feb	32.3	2.5	36.0	2.6	31.1	0.6	33.6	-2.9	38.9	8.4	32.1	5.9	30.3	5.2	28.2	1.1	35.4	0.9	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.8	36.7	-1.6	31.5	2.9	32.6	-4.4	36.9	3.9	14.6	-47.5	28.8	0.0	28.3	-4.7	33.2	-2.9	31.5	-4.0
Apr	30.1	6.7	35.6	11.6	30.5	5.9	30.6	8.5	33.2	7.8	27.6	7.0	27.7	6.1	27.8	-2.1	28.3	-5.0	31.1	7.6
May	32.4	0.9	37.7	-1.3	31.5	1.0	34.3	0.6	37.0	2.2	30.4	-3.8	31.2	11.8	28.9	-4.3	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.6	0.0	39.5	11.9	32.7	2.5	33.1	-1.2	35.8	1.7	30.3	-6.2	29.9	-1.0	30.0	-4.5	33.4	-6.2	33.9	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.9	1.9	31.8	1.9	33.1	4.1	34.5	-1.1	15.3	-11.0	27.9	1.5	30.3	-4.4	31.6	-2.2	32.1	1.6
Aug	29.6	1.4	36.2	1.4	31.1	0.3	30.6	1.3	33.0	2.8	16.0	9.6	26.8	6.8	29.0	-4.0	31.6	15.3	31.0	1.6
Sep	33.0	2.5	37.8	-0.3	32.5	1.2	33.4	5.7	38.3	2.4	32.6	3.2	29.7	-0.7	30.6	6.3	32.7	1.2	34.1	2.4
Oct	29.3	1.0	33.6	-0.9	28.8	-3.7	30.0	2.0	30.9	0.3	27.2	-5.2	27.2	1.9	29.1	6.6	28.2	-3.1	30.2	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	34.4	-2.3	29.1	-0.3	29.8	-3.6	32.2	3.9	25.4	-13.6	28.1	5.2	30.7	16.3	28.8	4.0	30.6	3.4
Dec	32.8	1.9	36.5	0.3	31.6	-3.4	32.4	-2.1	37.4	1.4	32.0	-3.0	31.2	6.5	30.2	6.0	36.3	10.3	33.7	2.4
2005 Jan	32.2	1.6	36.3	2.5	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.1	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.1	7.5	34.3	2.4	32.9	1.5
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.0	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.6	34.7	-2.0	33.9	1.5
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	-0.3	33.9	4.0	37.6	1.9	31.5	115.8	31.0	7.6	28.4	0.4	34.0	2.4	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.6	34.3	12.1	37.5	13.0	33.1	19.9	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.5	25.4	34.1	9.6
May	32.7	0.9	37.5	-0.5	31.8	1.0	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.6	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.3	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.4	34.0	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.7	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.6	37.5	-1.1	30.5	-4.1	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.0	29.4	5.4	31.0	2.3	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug	29.5	-0.3	35.0	-3.3	30.2	-2.9	31.7	3.6	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	2.2	30.5	5.2	29.0	-8.2	30.9	-0.3
Sep	32.3	-2.1	36.0	-4.8	31.7	-2.5	33.0	-1.2	35.3	-7.8	33.2	1.8	30.4	2.4	30.4	-0.7	32.0	-2.1	33.6	-1.5
Oct	28.4	-3.1	34.3	2.1	29.2	1.4	29.1	-3.0	32.4	4.9	17.7	-34.9	27.0	-0.7	28.3	-2.7	30.0	6.4	29.4	-2.6
Nov	29.6	0.0	33.6	-2.3	29.5	1.4	30.7	3.0	32.0	-0.6	28.0	10.2	28.2	0.4	27.3	-11.1	30.1	4.5	30.4	-0.7
Dec	32.8	0.0	38.1	4.4	32.7	3.5	33.6	3.7	36.8	-1.6	33.7	5.3	30.6	-1.9	28.8	-4.6	33.8	-6.9	33.7	0.0
Average:																				
Jan-Dec04	31.2		36.4		31.1		32.2		35.4		26.3		29.1		29.3		32.3		32.3	
Jan-Dec05	31.6		36.6		31.1		32.9		35.1		28.0		29.9		29.5		32.6		32.7	
% Change	1.1		0.3		-0.1		2.2		-0.9		6.2		3.0		0.7		0.8		1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

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